



DAZZLING HOLIDAY DISPLAY EARNS KUDOS

SENSORY OVERLOAD Arcata Main Street's (AMS) immersive tranformation of the Plaza into a dazzling holiday wonderland has earned official applause by the City Council. Above, Mayor Brent Flotsam with one of the decoration-laden Plaza trees. In awarding AMS a Certificate of Recognition, the council forwarded comments from citizens and informally cautioned AMS not to "go overboard" and "hide the forest for the bulbs," as seen above. KLH | UNION AF

Protest disrupts meeting

MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA, April 1 – A group of social justice activists, carrying placards and yelling into bullhorns, stormed the monthly meeting of the Humboldt County Association of Governments and demanded that their concerns be heard.

Led by McKinleyville policy wonk Derek Rydberger, the protesters' beef with HCAOG centers around the Technical Advisory Committee's formulae for calculating service demand via weighted ranking of transitional baseline thresholds.



Derek Rydberger, the "woke wonk." "Fewer asymptotic projections! More stochastic meta-variables!" Rydberger chanted through a saliva-sodden megaphone.

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The furniture-featuring effort paid off right away, with swarms of groundscore-seeking visitors from elsewhere seen swarming street-corners and greedily gathering up the dingy dish drainers and tilting CRT computer monitors.

The plan went awry, however, when it was discovered that businesses in the Cannabis Innovation Zone were sending out workers to gather up all the bongwater-soaked couches in order to extract the rich accumulations of THC.

The distilled "sofabinoids" soon began to appear in local cannabis dispensaries, branded as "Kouch Kush" and "Household Haze."

Humboldt Baykeeper reported "concerns," and is monitoring the situation.

ADORABLE
An X-ray of an unborn recliner found at Cropley Way and Hilfiker Drive, still in its embryonic sac. KLH | UNION AF



BLUSTERY BOYCOTT A local man who routinely claims that he used to shop in Arcata and is now boycotting the city for various political reasons admitted last week that he never actually shopped in Arcata and probably never will, mostly due to geography. In a rare moment of candor, Hamish Curman revealed that he lives and works far away in the outlands of Henderson Center and hasn't been north of Eureka for 17 years. His bluster, he said, was an effort to make Arcatans feel like he was punishing them economically, even though he's not. This on his staunchly held and extremely well thought-out theory that the best way to address Arcata's libturdus and layabouts is to de-

Furniture | City-wide showroom



DIVAN VOICES The Raging Grannies Youth Ensemble (RGYE) helped herald Arcata's rebranding as an open-air furniture emporium with a round of rousing, repurposed classic rock songs at last week's kickoff event. Tunes included, "Here, There, and Every Chair," "Smoke on the Sofa," "Free Box," "Stairway to Headboard," and "Mattress and a Bottle." The RGYE is available for special occasions such as birthday parties, ribbon cuttings, public meetings and Valentines. In fact, you may not even need to hire them, since they make a practice of showing up and putting themselves in the spotlight, especially when cameras are around. "We can take any event or issue, silly, serious or solemn, and make it all about us," said Grumbra Grimm-Green, RGYE tenor screecher. KLH | UNION AF

prive job-creating family businesses of patronage. Curman maintains that he won't shop in Arcata, even though he was never going to anyway.

A VERY SPECIAL ARTS! ARCATA The April Arts! Arcata will feature an array of bullshit artists, each projecting their particular flavor of fraudulent but highly profitable scams from alcoves around the Plaza. Clockwise from Ninth and H, the Plaza's west side will feature financial bamboozlers, providing payday loans at usurious interest rates, while others pitch time-shares, Amway franchises and ask to see your utility bills. Along the Plaza's legendary Ninth Street Tavern Row

will be Vegas-style street scammers, offering free tickets to comedy clubs, selfies with costumed superheroes and escort services. Down G Street on the east side, the bullshit takes a cyber turn with handed-out letters from Nigerian princes looking for a trusted partner, to Iraq War combat officers who have found a trove of gold coins and bearer bonds they need to safely ship to the U.S. The Plaza's south side will feature an array of "healing artists" offering everything from aura massage to quantum energy therapy, with complimentary anti-vaccination misinformation. Citing "concerns," a "concerned" Humboldt Baykeeper is monitoring the festivities.

Bay | Rides ❖ FROM A1

pier featuring Disney-like shops, plus a Burger King, casinos and strip shows.

Trinidad Head, renamed Vacay Cay, has seen construction of multiple motels to handle the expected crowds. Humboldt Baykeeper, whose sea level-reducing whaling vessel is a key exhibit in the new, bay-wide attraction, declined to specify any concerns.

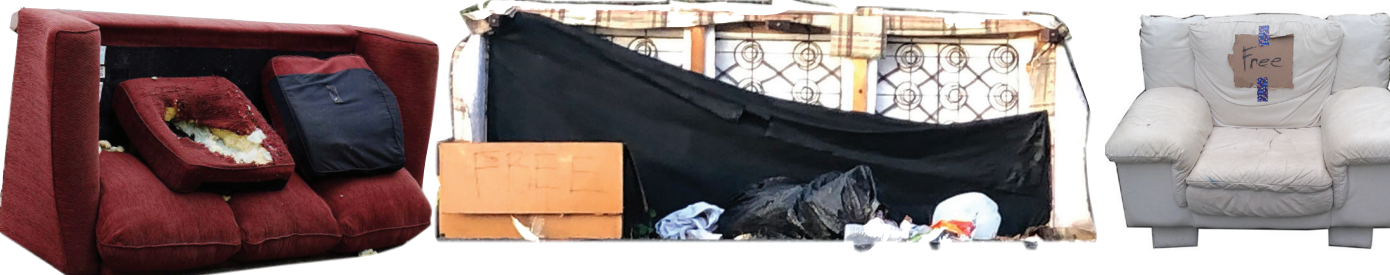
Exalted Supreme Beloved Leader of Northern Humboldt and Beyond | 'Dear Leader' ❖ FROM A1

His smiling image is also plastered on billboards and in gilded frames hanging in local businesses, now a requirement for anyone who wants a business license. Maroone has also issued a new line of posters, visible throughout the sprawling Fifth District.

The three-foot-high posters show a picture of Dear Leader smiling, with block letters underneath stat-

ing "Maker of Trails" or "The image of love" or "Obedience, Thank You."

Maroone is advancing a proposal to consolidate the four other supervisorial districts into the Fifth District. "Why have five districts when one is enough? It will be more efficient. I'll take care of my people," said His Excellency, who will assume control over the entire county after his measure passes.



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SPACE DUCK

JUST DUCKY After decades of acrimonious debate, the Arcata City Council replaced the detested statue of William McKinley at the center of the Plaza with an effigy of David Kelley Woodworking's beloved mascot, Space Duck. The McKinley statue has been relocated to the top of the McKinleyville Totem Pole. Comments can be directed to David Kelley Woodworking at (707) 616-0534. dkcustomdesign.com

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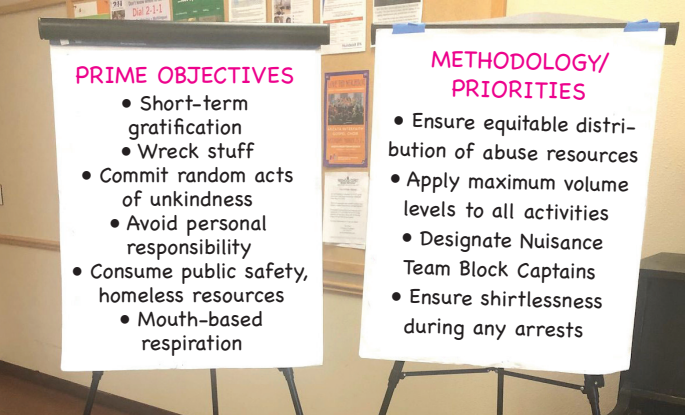
GETTING ORGANIZED Non-contributors of many stripes convened at the Community Center to better implement their nuisance-making activities. KLH | UNION

Butcher paper brainstorm breakthrough

Sleazebags,
slumpabouts
optimize
odiousness

Angus Podgorny
MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA, April 1 – Eyeing what worked for any number of other civic groups, Arcata’s lowlifes and lurkabouts have busted out the butcher paper in hopes of better allocating their resources and more efficiently annoying everyone else in town.

A historic pact signed last year by a consortium of activists and organizations included Arcata Main Street, both Rotary Clubs, the Knights of Pythias, CommUnity Pride & Peace, Food Not Bombs, Drunk and Drunker, the NoHum Nug-Slingers, Brent, Sunflower, The Arcata Coalition of Irresponsible Pet Owners, Slumpabouts for Peace or Whatever, The Way of the Tunic, Trimigrants International, Queen Doubles, the Revolving Confederation of Petty Criminals, That One Guy Who Won’t Shut Up, the Insufferable Do-Gooders Guild, the Yaksmen’s Mobile Debating Society, Halitosis Humboldt, Dip-shits Without Borders, Penny Popcorn Theatre and the Occupy Arcata Remembrance Society – raised hopes of resurgent peace and love downtown. But not everyone was on board. A new coalition emerged, comprised of the those who steal tip jars, yell on streetcorners at all hours and harass Arcata’s put-up-on innocent passersby. Seeking efficiencies, the non-contributors gathered at the Community Centers Arts & Crafts Room to better allocate their resources. Facilitated by experi-



ACTION PLAN Efficiency and consistency were prime objectives of the slithy tove convention. KLH | UNION AF

enced public nuisances Yvonne Wormly and Greta Gerbil, the assemblage of no-goodniks offered suggestions, which were duly recorded on the butcher paper pad generously provided by Butchco International. These included dividing the downtown into quadrants emanating from the Plaza’s center area, which is rumored to have once hosted a statue. Henceforth, designated Nuisance Teams will deploy to the newly defined regions on a rotating basis, ensuring that all citizens experience the full range of quality-of-life eroding annoyances. Action Teams formed at the meeting were intended to optimize the various talents of the attendees. The teams include the Persistent Panhandlers, Streetcorner Screechers, Alcove Vomit-teers, Random Harassers and Porch Plant Vandalizers. The group plans to meet again after six months and evaluate its progress. Future agenda items include creation of a research team to innovate fresh nuisance activities and better consume resources intended for the underprivileged. Citing unspecified “concerns,” Humboldt Baykeeper is reportedly monitoring the situation.



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MARCH OF THE MUFFINS

ARTISANAL ASSEMBLY LINE Muffins roll off the gluten-free conveyor belt, operated by “holistic ingredient coaches” in nontraditional bakery garb. KLH | UNION AF

Muffinarium ramps up production

MAD RIVER UNION
ALDERGROVE INDUSTRIAL PARK, April 1 – The former Humboldt Flakeboard plant is up and running again, but this time as the Utility Muffin Research Kitchen. And its current product doesn’t build homes, it helps build strong bodies. There, Granny Groovy’s Hand-CraftedFarm-Fresh Artisanal Love Muffins are flying off the assembly line. The new start-up is producing that prince of foods, the muffin, at the rate of about 1,200 per hour – and they’re just getting started. “Everyone will enjoy our love-infused cupcakes,” said George Glumber, the venture capitalist behind Granny Groovy. “Oh right, I mean muffins. Whatever.” Glumber said the recipe is secret, but

was created using the finest focus groups and marketing consultants. “They don’t want the glutens, the GMOs, the this, the that. We made sure the wrapper reflects all the things these cookies don’t have in them. *Muffins!* Right, muffins.” Asked whether Granny Groovy was available for comment, Glumber said, “Who? Oh, right, her. Well, she’s busy or something. Here, have a muffin.” Cost-savings for production of the baked delicacies was achieved by discovery of a pile of unshipped flakeboard out behind the factory. “We ‘recycled’ it, let’s just say,” Glumber said proudly. “The kids like recycling, right? Think of it as fiber without the gluten, and by the way, it makes the muffin tops oh-so-flaky!”

Manure Fest 2019 a mucky marvel

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ARCATA BOTTOM, April 1 – With springtime fields hungry for nutrients, it’s time for the annual Arcata Bottom Manure Gun Festival, now celebrating 14 years of poo -splosive awesomeness. Attendees will be able to see 17 unique manure guns in action, from a 2019 fully electronic John Deere BlassTER Mach 6, to a recently refurbished 1936 hand-pumped Roosevelt. Arcs of nutrient rich water will be spraying across the Jackson Ranch Road area from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, creating optimal conditionals to enjoy rainbows, dance barefoot and splash your friends. It’s going to be wet and wild! Attendees may operate the guns and help fill their hoppers. There will be apple bobbing and a vast array of scrumptious finger foods, plus a giant community punch bowl. The event is clothing optional, but fragrance free. Please, no perfume.



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My dear Ida,

As I labor away on pressing court briefs, my thoughts stray to our most recent evening together, when we ascended to the zenith of passion within the muffled confines of your grandmother's armoire.

I should be pleased to further enjoin your tender carresses and return them with parries by our mutual acquaintance, the "Sceptre of Farquhar," at the earliest opportunity.

Meanwhile, dearest, please make full benefit of the gift included in this epistle as an augury of things to come, as it were.

Yours sincerely, The Rough Rider."

The letter, transmitted early in their romance, was wrapped around a tusk-like whalebone scrimshaw upon which has been engraved an unmistakable, nauseatingly detailed image of a fully alert male member, presumably that of "Young Hickory," at that point very much on the rise.

The ribald artifact appears to be an early iteration of what is known today as the unfortunate cyber-phenomenon that rhymes with "Trick Pics." There is no evidence that Miss Saxton ever saw the libidinous missive, nor utilized its appliance.

The 1869 letter is one of several similar ones sent by the lusty lawyer, later to be known derisively but with unsuspected accuracy as "Wobbly Willie."

As their courtship progressed, the letters show that McKinley's muse grows ever more impassioned. The letters become progressively more fevered, and the attached artworks more elaborate. Reads one:

Ida, my delicate Canton Carnation,

As I made final arguments in court today, my efforts to forestall thoughts of your omnibus favors were unsuccessful, leaving this barrister helplessly engorged in mind, body and soul with anticipation of our next encounter.

In these circumstances, it became necessary to argue my client's brief from behind the counsel table, its stout oak platform obscuring my desperate condition. While this may have muted my persuasive force, it only made more keen my turgid yearnings to further annoy thee with "Hector's Scimitar."

Yours incessantly, William

The scimitar in question was depicted in a bas relief tablet about the size of an iPad and weighing 14 pounds, the elevation probably not to scale.



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The final letter, sent in late 1870 just prior to their marriage, includes a rendering of a randy-looking McKinley in the manspreading guise of the Barberini Faun, lying lustily, licentiously akimbo as the "drunken satyr." Except, that is, crowned with McKinley's sensually bulbous cranium.

"This explains everything," said Dieter Devilbiss, conspirator-in-chief of the McKinley Truthers. "Wild Bill" had to be disappeared because of these naughty letters, not this so-called 'assassination' business."

Healing and unity

Meanwhile at Arcata City Hall, mea culpas billowed like diesel fumes from a crane lifting a bronze president last week as the shared, lived history of the McKinley statue removal was reviewed by those involved in the decision.

"We should have let the voters decide in the first place," agreed members of the council majority who voted Feb. 21, 2018 to have the 113-year-old statue removed without any vote of the citizens. "A decision that historic had to be made by the people, just out of respect for democracy. Had we not had a public vote, there would have always been an asterisk that said, 'we don't know what the people would have decided.' The statue's friends would have been able to claim the town wanted to keep it. Now they can't – the removal was the clear choice of the citizens and the damn asterisk is on we three for making the statue problem all us. The word is 'hubris.'"

At this, professional meeting-goer Ken Sowhatski involuntarily burst into song, reprising the chorus from Cher's 1989 mega-hit, "If I Could Turn Back Time." But his atonal blurt quickly subsided, and he looked around, stifled the ideomotor flare-up, cleared his throat and resumed sitting quietly.

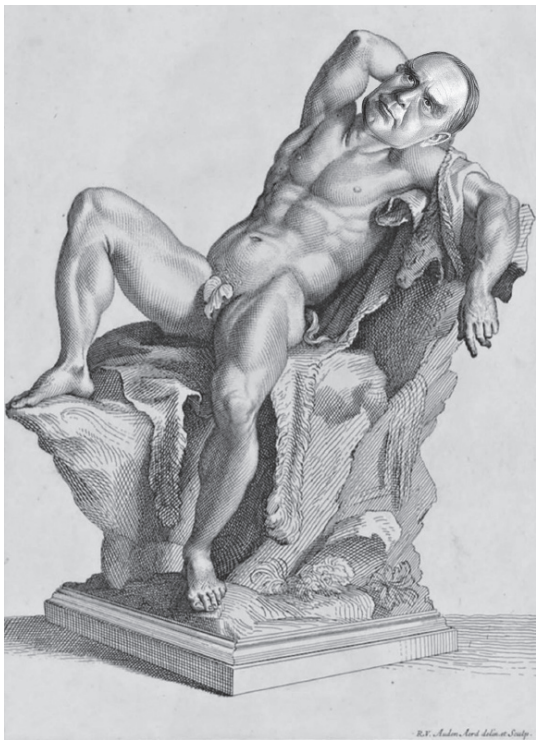
The council majority's leadership in ushering in the promised post-statue era of healing and unity seemed to drop defenses and long-held hostilities among statue partisans in the chamber.

"We made the *lamest* arguments made in any election ever in the history of the human race – yeah, we checked," said Nob Enemus of the Yes on Measure M group.

"Any fair analysis of McKinley's conduct reveals yes, the positives we emphasized. But his passivity over racism-in-progress, the disenfranchisement of Native American tribes... now see that these are the very moral atrocities that outrage us about the current administration."

Continued Enemus, "Hey, how about that goofy cost estimate we foisted off on the public? It says here in our ballot argument, 'Don't believe wild claims that our McKinley statue can be removed for 'only' \$65,000.'"

"Look, in a way we were right, right? It only cost what,



BAD BILL'S TMI TREAT A drunken satyr with whatever bedroom eyes "The Idol of Ohio" could manage.

\$16K and change. So the wild \$65K claim was *waaaaay* off." Enemus' acrobatic logic brought pained expressions and reddened faces until he added, "Of course, our estimate of removal costing \$525,000, or causing the layoff of eight cops or the end of the whole Parks and Rec Department was full-throttle dingbat, to put it lightly."

Sitting Councilmember Dork Dinkler, who put his name to the grotesque \$509,000 miscalculation, said only that he was looking forward to applying his financial acumen to the next city finances at upcoming budget hearings.

But the worst was yet to come. "Think that's stupid?" Enemus asked, rhetorically. "Our most ludicrous, ignorant and privileged argument was that the 'out-of-towners' don't have the right to tell Arcata what to do. Here the European settlers arrived, and within a few years they'd wiped out every-

one here, stole their land, cut down the forests, turned the creeks into sewage ditches, made the wetlands into a garbage dump, killed off the fish and birds and, to cap it off, divided up the land with artificial borders. Now, we, their descendants, had the unbelievable gall to tell the region's indigenous people that they weren't 'from here' and can't help decide this."

Next up were the anti-statue forces, led by Wanda Condescenda-Jeremiad. She offered a short but withering self-critique for her camp's excesses, from yelling at everyone to epic incuriousness about fellow community members who might think differently.

"We did what it is that that we did all wrong," she said. "To be blunt, we acted like jerks. It turns out, we could have achieved our goal without calling people names, flipping them off, shouting them down and all that. Oops."

Continued Condescenda-Jeremiad, "We were clearly wrong that Arcata was a bunch of white racists who couldn't make a proper moral judgment. From here on out we're saving that term for the real racists, since there are plenty enough of those."

"There's more though," she said. "We ripped Dinkler for petitioning for a ballot initiative in the name of 'democracy.' Dumb, huh?" she asked rhetorically. "Then when Measure M failed, all we could talk about was the 2-1 vote in our favor. So it turned out he was our best ally, and massively helped our case. Sorry, Dork, and thanks."

"But the big takeaway was, we made the same mistake the council did – we didn't trust the people of Arcata. They got rid of the plaque, the statue and approved Measure K for the trifecta. Pretty impressive."

Then they ran into a rainbow for the story's perfect end.

Much more to this story at madriverriverunion.com.



VICTIMHOOD VERBOTEN City Council Chamber makes it perfectly clear. KLH | UNION AF

Desperate times, desperate measures

Zoltar Hadron
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Fed up with the intensifying trend toward victimhood for commentators at City Council meetings, the city has posted signs cautioning speakers to put a cork in their butthurt for once why don'tcha?

The capper came when the council was trying to figure out aid to genuine

victims during a hearing on domestic violence abatement.

It was then that Sunset-area resident Norbla Numpler chose to complain about Arcata Police conduct while breaking up a knock-down drag-out fight going on next door.

"I was holding a tea party for my ferrets when the cop car flashers lit up my curtains, even when they were closed, blinking on and off," she said in a whiney, annoying voice that managed to include both vocal fry, mucoid gurgling and eerie whistling nostril noise. "It went on forever, and the worst part was, the red lights clashed with my new teal-and-gold tea service."

Numpler filed a \$40,000 claim against the city for emotional distress, which was referred to the city's municipal insurance carrier.

But the council had had enough, and called the city's sign shop personnel to come in that night and work overtime at the Corp yard to print up a dozen new "No Butthurt" signs, which were installed in Council Chamber even as the meeting progressed.

"The time has come to end the whingeing," said Mayor Brent Flotsam. "The whining and moaning, too."

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PRICKLY PIE Pete Cioffi has never ceased innovating with the cuisine at The Jam, 915 H St. With the success of his GMO-free pizza, he decided to offer the opposite – an all-GMO pizza – as an experiment. The recipe involves using a huge glass syringe to inject bright green science juice into a vat of toppings, then waiting until they crawl out onto the crust. “It’s different every time,” said the amiable Cioffi. “And whatever you don’t finish, you can take home for a pet.” jambalayaarcata.com KLH | UNION AF

❖ MAD RIVER UNION INVESTIGATION Unmasking the ‘Students of the Month’

Jethro Bodine
MAD RIVER UNION
McKINLEYVILLE, April 1 – A 10-month-long investigation by a team of six full-time *Union* reporters has revealed that some of the students who were named Students of the Month at a local elementary school may not be as deserving of the honors as their teachers claim.

The newspaper launched the investigation, with assistance from the Annendburg Foundation for Investigative Reporting, after receiving a tip that 7-year-old Timmy Sandals, Student of the Month for May 2018, wasn’t everything he was cracked up to be.

His teacher, Miss Paulson, described Timmy as “kind, inquisitive, punctual and a hard worker who loves math and playing whiffle ball.”

The *Union*, however, discovered that Timmy doesn’t live up to the billing.

One afternoon, our crack team of reporters witnessed Timmy picking his nose while walking home from school. People close to Timmy, who asked that their names not be used due to the sensitive nature of the matter, said that on more than one occasion, Timmy threw away his pudding cup at lunch, having only eaten half the contents.

“He’s a nice kid and all, but I’ve seen him waste a lot of vanilla pudding over the last couple months,” said a fellow student, 8, who asked to remain anonymous and was interviewed on deep back-

ground at a secret location just outside of Taos, New Mexico to protect his anonymity. Because the *Union* takes source protection seriously, it had an actor play his part, and then had that translated into an interpretive dance, which formed the basis of this interview.

The *Union* attempted to interview Timmy, but was barred from doing so by school officials, who then obtained a temporary restraining order, which is now permanent, preventing the newspaper from grilling students.

Timmy, however, is not the only child with questionable Student of the Month credentials.

Ten-year-old Lisa Bratley was also named Student of the Month just this January. Her teacher described her as “smart, witty, talented and driven,” noting that she gets straight A’s and volunteers weekly at the local animal shelter. “She’s a joy to teach,” stated Social Studies teacher Walt Waffleman.

Apparently, Mr. Waffleman, unlike the *Union*’s investigative reporters, didn’t have to sit through last December’s school play, *Little Orphan Annie* (performed by non-orphans) and listen to little Miss Bratley bellow out “Tomorrow.” Just awful.

How that 10-year-old ever got the leading role in the school play is probably a scandal in and of itself, full of graft and corruption.

Jen Kalt of Humboldt Baykeeper said her organization has “concerns” and is “monitoring the situation.”

A life committed to ceaseless activism

Delphine Dither
MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA, April 1 – An area man’s life of activism is inspiring others to make the world a better place in word and deed.

❖ PROFILES IN CITIZENSHIP

Jeff Jurgle, a Sunny Brae resident, didn’t invent his immersive brand of activism. He took a cue from those who stand for peace on the Plaza, recognizing the power of a positive presence in bringing about change.

After standing with them for a while, Jurgle didn’t see much difference in sitting on a nearby bench rather than standing. After sitting for peace, he realized that his favorite cable TV cooking show was coming on soon, so he figured he’d continue his stalwart vigil while enjoying the comfort of his sofa.

Waking up at 2:30 a.m. covered in Cheet-o’s crumbs, he realized that he’s gotten so good at pacifist activism that he could do it in his sleep. So, crawl-



A FRENZIED FORCE FOR GOOD While others indulged in self-centered activity last Friday night, Jeff Jurgle selflessly channel-surfed to battle the rare disease, Jejunal Atresia. KLH | UNION AF

ing off to bed, he dedicated the remainder of his night’s slumbers to reconciliation among warring factions in the Nigerian state of Taraba.

The next morning when he got up to make breakfast, Jurgle realized that there was no point in letting the activity go to waste, so he brewed his morning coffee to help save the rare, threatened Vaquita marine mammal.

As a bonus initiative, Jurgle buttered his toast to promote gender equity among Cincinnati-area welding schools.

From that point on, Jurgle found opportunities to make the world a better place in virtually every routine task.

He drive to work that day to protest living conditions among apricot farmers in western Uzbekistan, took a smoke break to raise awareness of malaria prevention in sub-Saharan Africa and stole a few bites of someone’s tuna salad in the break room fridge to show solidarity with striking Peruvian zinc miners.

Arriving home, Jurgle kicked the neighbor’s cat off his porch to enhance regulatory guidelines on interstate shipping of cultured sauerkraut.

Though his dinner prep consisted of nuking a chicken pot pie, Jurgle managed to leverage the act to support a half-dozen or more worthy causes, charities and political initiatives.

Concluding the evening with a bout of porn viewing, Jurgle dedicated the activity to improved standards for automotive headlights.

Unusual creature makes appearance at committee

Skeezix Aldebaron
MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA, April 1 – The Forest Management Committee (FMC) ground briefly to a halt last Thursday at the unexpected appearance of a strange creature in the sea of empty chairs at the rear of Council Chamber.

The committee is accustomed to looking after rare and threatened species in the woodlands under its jurisdiction, but until now, not at City Hall.

The animal, later identified by specialists as a male specimen of the “public” species, walked in and took a seat as astonished committee members tried to process the unprecedented event.

Initial shock and awe gave way to confused glances

around the table as the FMC tried to regain its bearings.

“What is it?” whispered member Ivanka Scroggins. “Maybe it’s one of those *Bird Box* things we aren’t supposed to look at.”

“What do we do?” asked member Dolph Dingo, his voice trembling.

Tapping into his extensive knowledge and experience with wildlife, Environmental Services Director and staff liaison Skunk Cabbage urged calm.

“It’s OK,” he told the committee. “They usually don’t attack unless provoked. Just don’t make any sudden movements, and don’t run.”

Unfortunately, member Ross Weevleton made inadvertent

eye contact with the creature, which it mistook for an invitation to make noises characteristic of its species.

“Hi,” the “citizen,” as it was later identified, said. “I’m just here to ask about a trail.”

Paralyzed with confusion, the committee members looked to Cabbage, who, a model of calm under pressure, riffled through a copy of the Arcata Municipal Code to see how to handle the situation.

By then though, the citizen had gotten tired of waiting to speak, and left.

The city is forming a task force to better understand how to handle any future instances of public participation in city advisory committees, however unlikely.



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Cat-perching horrors addressed

Hack BullHam
MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE, April 1 – The McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors will vote next week on a long-awaited ordinance that will ban cats from sitting on kitchen counters, tables, shelves and other surfaces where they are generally not welcome.

Creation of the ordinance was spurred by complaints from Ocean West resident Mary Johnson, whose cat, Mr. Poopers, reportedly jumped on to her kitchen island last month and proceeded to push the day’s unopened mail on to the floor, including credit card bills, an envelope with a special offer from Direct TV and the really fantastic February edition of *Jugs* magazine.

Mrs. Johnson said she was willing to let bygones be bygones, but a week later she was horrified to find Mr. Poopers on the kitchen counter aggressively licking the top of her much-anticipated Tuna Surprise noodle casserole, which she planned to serve that afternoon to the McKinleyville Women’s Club.

Fortunately, Mrs. Johnson was able to apply a layer of pulverized Lay’s KC Masterpiece Barbecue-flavored Potato Chips to the top of casserole to cover up the lickings. The ladies club luncheon went off without a hitch.

However, the cat-licking incident rattled Mrs. Johnson to her core. “How can this happen? Why is this allowed?” she asked, before making a call to the MCSD.

“There’s no enforcement mechanism,” explained MCSD general manager Oleg Semprini. Cats, he said, jump on counters and tables because there is no ordinance preventing them from doing so. Semprini initially referred the item to the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC).

But McKMAC member Glen Stepford fought against the committee taking up the matter, arguing that cats didn’t fall under the committee’s *purrview*.

Eventually, the matter ended up back before the MCSD, which is now set to pass an ordinance regulating where cats may perch inside McKinleyville homes. The ordinance is modeled after Arcata’s smoking ordinance. Cats are allowed on countertops and tables as long as they are passing through, moving and traveling from one spot to another. Sitting is forbidden. The ordinance does not ban cats from smoking, although that issue may be addressed in the future should bad habits arise.

Semprini stressed that the goal of the MCSD is not to punish felines, but to encourage compliance with the ordinance, which is posted on the district’s website and will appear in the upcoming district newsletter, thereby informing would-be offenders.

Enforcement will be complaint driven. Upon receiving a report of a cat sitting on a counter, the district will dis-

patch operations director Joe Blow to deliver a stern but gentle lecture to the offender about the importance of ordinance compliance. A second violation will result in a second, but much longer, lecture, which will include board-approved expletives to hammer home the importance of following the ordinance.

Should further violations occur, the MCSD is prepared to up the ante and punish the cats by requiring them to sit through the MCSD’s annual audit report. This portion of the ordinance has prompted the Northern California Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union to file a lawsuit against the MCSD claiming that the proposed law is unconstitutional because it includes “cruel and unusual punishment.”

Mr. Poopers could not be reached for comment.

Ken Galt of Humboldt Baykeeper said his organization has vague “concerns” that it is unable to articulate, and is monitoring the situation.

In other animal news, a short-lived effort by McKinleyville canines to hold a public hearing on the matter was canceled after a member corrected a thoroughly understandable misspelling of the word “stakeholders” in a social media post announcing the meeting.



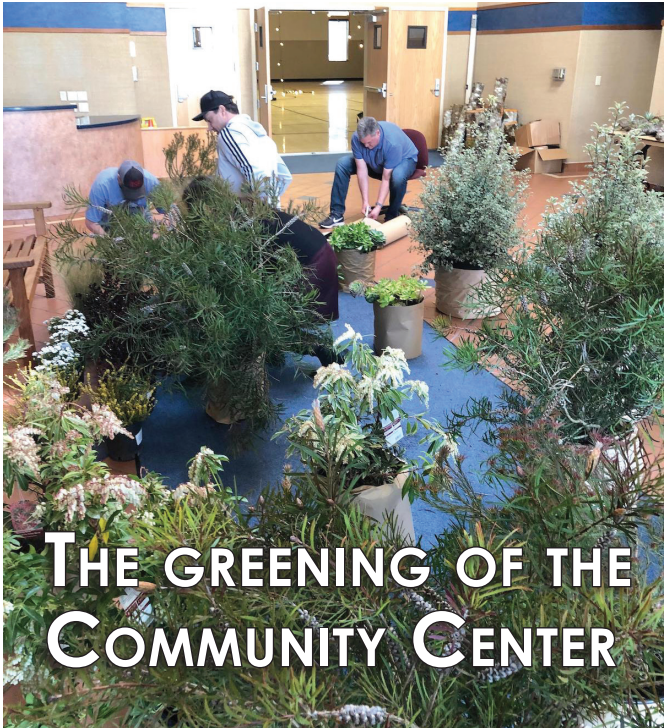
At A Standstill

WORKING STIFFS The ladies of Phillips House Museum have announced a work stoppage as they organize a new union chapter at Arcata’s. Not the ladies and gents of the Historical Sites Society of Arcata, who staff Arcata’s exhibit-packed history museum, but the mannequins who model fashions of yesteryear amid the antiques there. “It’s no tea party, let me tell ya,” said Doris Dummie, a member in good standing, found standing in the living room by the vintage stereoscope. “I’ve been working here 27 years, and all they’ve fed me is the plastic fruit and 1920s spices in the kitchen,” complained Vivian Vim, “and I’ve been a *model employee*!” The mannequin union’s initial demands are said to include daily dusting, a weekend off every leap year and a change of clothes at least once per decade. Show your solidarity with the eerily motionless at arcatahistory.org. KLH | UNION AF



A Confusing Case

CAPS SNAFU When the Arcata Ladies Orchid Society held the most exclusive affair of the season, its annual Gala Festival, at the Community Center last week, they found it attended by those with more interest in partying heartily to celebrate Mother Earth than extolling the glories of *Phragmipedium schlimii* or *Phalaenopsis violacea f. coerulea*. Among them were bros Brutus Burly and Digbert Dongle, left, who saw a flyer advertising what they thought was a Gaia Festival gathering of reggae and barbecue enthusiasts. Dismayed at the lower-case “l” in their otherwise all-caps Gaia Festival flyer flyer are Orchid Society officers Harriet Hyacinth and Gertrude Gorganzola, right. As it happened, orchid fanciers felt obliged to welcome the unexpected attendees, so, with flower power as their common ground, the lads who’d had their hearts set on wings and microbrew were nonetheless able to choke down finger sandwiches and tea instead. KLH | UNION AF



The Greening of the Community Center

ACCIDENTAL TREESCAPE You can’t spell “confusion” without some of the letters in “Community Center,” and the place seems to be a hotbed of mixups lately. That’s what happened to a city crew told to plant new street trees in the community’s center, meaning the Plaza and environs. Misreading the work order as specifying the Community Center, the crew set about digging up the lobby and planting a variety of trees there. When the city discovered the mistake, it sought to remove the trees for planting downtown, but were prevented from doing so by a ragtag crew of tree-sitters who occupied the lobby to prevent “wholesale deforestation.” Unfortunately, the eco-activists’ efforts to build platforms in the tiny trees crushed them, destroying the micro-grove. KLH | UNION AF

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❖ FRIENDS OF THE DUNES

Planner: No harm in dunes work

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

MANILA – The county's Planning Director has responded to complaints about the Friends of the Dunes (FOD) invasive grass removal and restoration work in Manila, saying that loss of fore dune and wetland impacts are not occurring on the group's property.



Uri Driscoll

Planning Director John Ford updated the group's permitting status at the Planning Commission's March 21 meeting. At issue is FOD's permit compliance and its request to expand permitting to trail access and restoration work on a newly-acquired 3.6-acre property south of its Humboldt Coastal Nature Center in Manila.

Ford told commissioners that although FOD has been late in filing monitoring reports and didn't hire a restoration

DUNES ❖ B3

Calls for DOJ to take over Lawson case

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA CITY HALL – Citizens took to the mic at the public lectern during last week's City Council meeting to decry a decision by a Humboldt County

Grand Jury not to press charges in the April 15, 2017 killing of Humboldt State student David Josiah Lawson.

After reviewing evidence and interviewing witnesses, the Grand Jury on March 13 declined

to indict anyone.

A succession of speakers condemned District Attorney Maggie Fleming, Arcata Police and what several said was endemic racism in Humboldt County.

Casting local law enforcement

as disinterested, incompetent and incapable of delivering justice for the slain student, speakers called for the federal Department of Justice to take up the case.

"Get this case out of Humboldt County," said one woman. "Justice for Charmaine [Lawson's mother]. Justice for Josiah."

A woman named Jessica said "the pain at this point is just almost overwhelming."

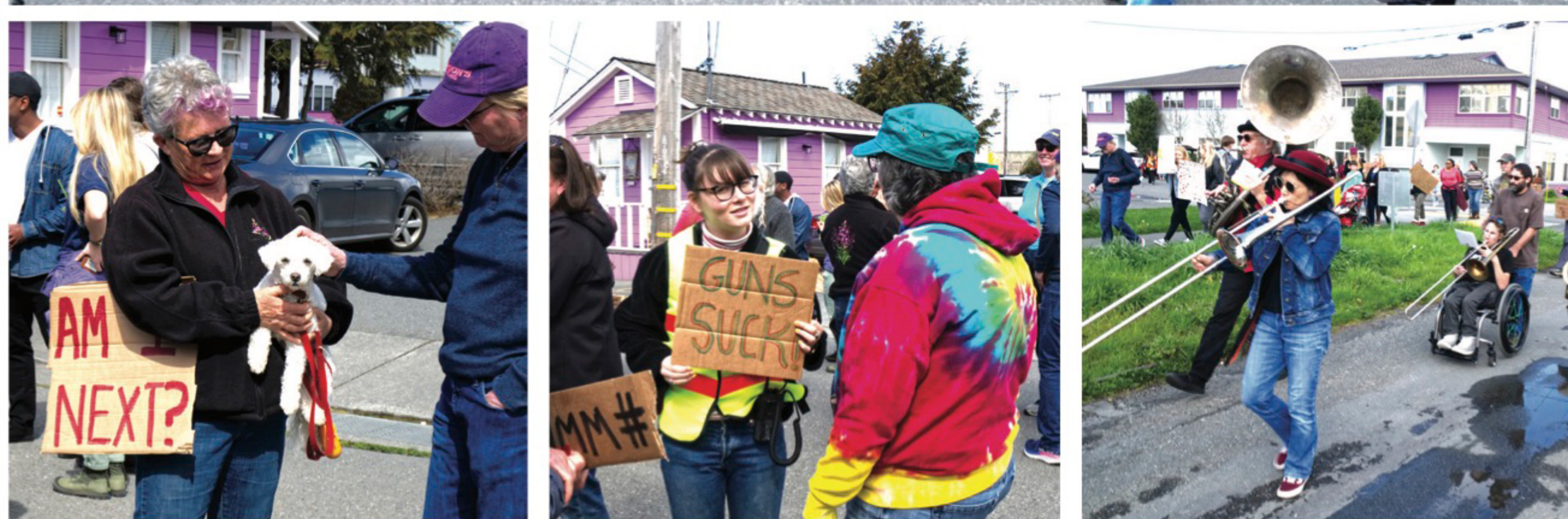
The woman said "so many people" should be arrested for obstruction of justice. "Do something," she implored the council.

Richard Kossow was among those who asked about a review of the Arcata Police Department's handling of the case, including its initial response, that is or was being conducted by the National Police Foundation. Speakers wished to review the foundation's report.

Another speaker called the City Council a "sterile institution" which, along with the community, had "disrespected" Lawson's friends. "The mishandling of this case really shows the illegitimacy of, this council, the city and the Arcata Police Department, of the lack of capability by the city and the need for this case to be handed over to the DOJ," he said.

"I wish I was surprised," said

LAWSON ❖ B3



GUN VIOLENCE The second annual March for Our Lives was held Sunday, March 24 in Arcata's Creamery District. Attendees rallied against gun violence and called for stricter firearms regulation. Participants marched to the Plaza and back, chanting pro-gun control slogans.

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Crabbers brace for settlement impacts

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – Commercial crabbers are bracing for what could be a shortened Dungeness season as talks on a whale entanglement lawsuit settlement continue.

The potential outcome of a lawsuit against the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) was cautiously discussed during a March 21 statehouse hearing.

Chaired by Senator Mike McGuire, the state's Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture was told by DFW Director Chuck Bonham that a federal court lawsuit from the Center for Biological Diversity could reach a settlement soon.

Liability entanglement

In the talks are representatives of the plaintiff, the DFW and the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations (PCFFA). Filed in 2017, the lawsuit seeks to hold the state liable for its management of the Dungeness crab fishery and the crab gear entanglements of whales and other marine animals.

The content of settlement talks is not disclosable but McGuire said fishermen need to know about the potential consequences of an agreement – including the possibility of the current crab season being shortened.

"There's a great concern for livelihoods, it's our



Mike McGuire

top tier fishery," he continued, asking for a meeting to be convened between "the department and those who would be impacted by the shortened season."

Bonham said that he "spent quality time" with PCFFA boardmembers and "there was a little bit of cussing involved, some directed at me."

The outcome of a settlement will be impactful to the industry but Bonham told the joint committee that litigating is "an even greater risk to certainty and stability in the fleet."

Thirty-one West Coast whale entanglements were confirmed in 2017, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

That's a favorable result compared to the peaks seen in 2015 and 2016, when 50 and 48 entanglements were confirmed. But prior to 2014, there were less than 10 entanglements per year on average.

Continuing a recent trend, the California coast was where most of the 2017 entanglements were observed and confirmed, accounting for 26 of them.

A 2018 report will be released soon and has been described as showing an increase in confirmed entanglements, with the majority of them in California.

Dungeness, Frankenfish

This year's Dungeness crab season is expected to yield less value than last year's banner season, which had a total of \$69.7 million worth of landings. Bonham said this year's value "will be a little off of that."

In a later presentation, DFW Program Manager

FISHING ❖ B2

Supes mull rule changes

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – Spurred by the recommendations of one of its members, Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors will consider changing the rules under which its meetings are conducted.

An annual review of meeting rules at the March 19 supervisors meeting was less routine than may have been anticipated. Fifth District Supervisor Steven Madrone is the newest member of the board, having been seated in early January, and he saw room for amending the board's rules of order.

The board's current rules reflect the parliamentary procedures of Robert's Rules of Order. Madrone vouched for a different system, Rosenberg's Rules of Order, saying it's more "streamlined" and includes provisions he supports.



Steve Madrone

Madrone noted that in Rosenberg's Rules, motions are required for votes to be taken. "Part of that is to prevent squashing of minority opinion," he said, adding, "I really like minority opinions – maybe that's because I'm often in the minority."

"Two months in, and we're already there? Wow," interjected Board Chair Rex Bohn.

Points of order

Madrone added that the board's current rules don't include the ability to call out points of order to "allow for checking of balance."

He said rules for the Planning Commission should also be adopted, as "it's been my discovery that the Planning Commission currently does not have any rules of operation and that seems like an issue that we ought to correct."

It's an issue that Madrone has

RULES ❖ B2

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McKinley statue arrives in Ohio as final removal costs are detailed

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA — Arcata’s statue of President William McKinley is now Canton, Ohio’s statue of President William McKinley.

Arcata City Manager Karen Diemer reports that the statue arrived there Monday, March 18.

Diemer also offered a final tally for costs associated with the statue removal.

The city’s direct cost for the statue relocation include:

- Historic Report: \$1,813
- Environmental Impact Report Development: \$11,972
- Environmental Impact Report circulation costs: \$3,321
- Removal: \$14,771
- Total cost: \$31,877

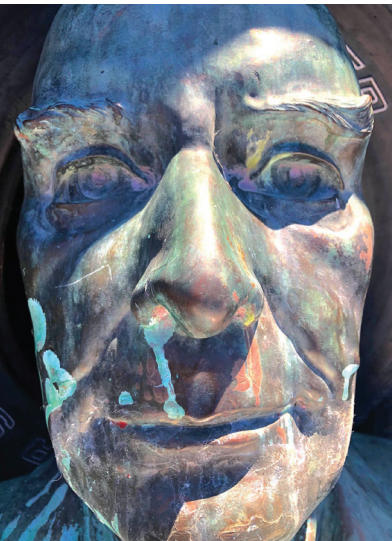
That figure will be reduced by almost half by reimbursements.



PEDESTAL REMOVAL Workers prepare to extract the statue’s pedestal on Feb. 28. KLH | UNION

The city will receive \$15,000 from Canton’s Timken Foundation, and \$500 in local, private donations raised by Fhyre Phoenix in 2018 as the statue removal process got underway.

Supporters of Measure M, the initiative to overturn the City Council’s Feb. 21, 2018 decision to remove the state, had claimed



WILLIAM MCKBILLFACE The statue on the morning of its departure for Canton. KLH | UNION

in ballot arguments that the “real cost” of removal would be as much as \$525,000.

“Arcata taxpayers would be stuck with that bill,” wrote City Councilmember Michael Winkler, former Arcata mayors Dan Hauser and Bob Ornelas, and citizen Gordon Inkeles. “To balance our budget, a \$525,000 project would require either cutting services — terminating approximately eight city employees (eight fewer police officers or the entire recreation department). That or raise taxes.”

The final tally of \$16,377 is three percent of the figure Measure M opponents had cited.

In other words, some 32 McKinley statues could be removed for the amount claimed by removal opponents.

Base remains

The three pieces of the statue’s pedestal and the steps that remain buried underneath the Plaza’s center planter will be reviewed by a local stone mason to identify potential future uses, Diemer said.

The main pedestal, previously thought to be a solid granite chunk, is filled with a mix of materials.

PACIFIC PARADISE Pacific Paradise at 1087 H St. in downtown Arcata has been transformed into Arcata’s newest retail cannabis shop. The new PP features cannabis in most of its nouveau forms, including edibles and vape cartridges, plus the traditional flower and concentrates. The shop also carries rolling papers, trays, bongos and other paraphernalia. “We’re one of the only ones offering one-stop shopping,” said General Manager Jenn Henson. The store is one of four authorized retail cannabis outlets in Arcata. KLH | UNION



Dunes | Any anomalies weren’t on FOD property

❖ **FROM A1**

manager as required, those situations have been corrected and the group has not been “doing anything in violation of their permit.”

The commission had asked for the update after criticism emerged during public comment sessions of previous meetings.

At last week’s meeting, Uri Driscoll, one of the most active commenters, said FOD has violated its permit “on numerous fronts.”

He said Ford acknowledged wetland impacts by sending the group a letter directing it to “reduce sand mobilization into wetlands.”

Driscoll also referenced a letter sent to the county last July from Eureka attorney Allison Jackson which called for a more thorough environmental impact analysis.

“This project, if it’s to continue, should go through a brand new permitting process,” he said.

But in his update presentation, Ford said that “one of the things that got very, very confusing” with regard to the criticism is that “a lot of the information that was presented was relevant to state or federal property.”

An exposed water line and areas where fore-dune has been washed away are not on FOD property, he told commissioners, and the group has been “operating very much in compliance with their permit.”

The permit “allowed them to remove vegetation in a checkerboard pattern and to never do it in a manner that resulted in decimation of the fore-dune,” he said. “And if you go out there, the only area that actually still has a fore-dune is FOD’s property.”

He added, “Are there things that have happened that caused sand to blow in other places, and sand to blow into wetlands — yes. Is that on (FOD) prop-

erty? No.”

Ford said the permit expansion request has spurred a collaborative evaluation of the existing environmental review, and the group “has been out to meet with neighbors.”

The county will also hold a “public meeting” before the expansion request returns to the commission for review.

Segmenting rezones

No one spoke during the public comment session of the meeting’s hearing on General Plan rezoning because the commission didn’t get to the matters they wanted to talk about — a situation that will be avoided in the future.

A new structure for the commission’s rezoning hearings was set as the commission discussed an initial phase.

Implementing the General Plan’s land use zoning is a sprawling process that involves text amendments, land use map changes and multiple new designations, and commissioners agreed to break the process up into clearly defined segments.

At the end of the hearing, commissioners voted to recommend approval of the first grouping of text amendments, for the General Plan’s new Mineral Resources, Railroad Rights of Way, Public Resources and Recreation, and Tribal Lands zones.

The commission continued its rezoning work to the April 4 meeting. Ford said the county will issue a press release describing the next steps in the segmented process prior to that.

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to consider General Plan text amendments in May. Public outreach on a more controversial phase, land use map changes, will begin in April and the commission is scheduled to review them in June, with the Board of Supervisors holding its hearings in July or August.



JUSTICE DEMANDED Advocates for slain student David Josiah Lawson, right, line up to speak before the City Council last week. KLH | UNION

Lawson | Federal referral of case urged

❖ **FROM A1**

Kelsey Reedy. “This system was not designed to help people of color. The system was designed to help those in power.”

Reedy said it is “very apparent” there aren’t any county entities capable of adequately handling the case. She called the Lawson killing “an open-shut case” and insisted that there was adequate evidence to press charges.

A woman named Casey said the treatment of Lawson, his family, friends and supporters was “unconscionable.” She also called for state or federal referral of the case.

Lisa Pelletier said “institutional racism” was at the root of the problem. She, like several other speakers, stated that Arcata occupies Wiyot land. She said she’d written a letter to the DOJ, and that Charmaine Lawson had also called for a federal referral.

Pelletier said previous claims by the city that it was doing all it could to solve the case were false, and amounted to “gaslighting” the public. That term, according to the online *Urban Dictionary*, refers to “a form of intimidation or psychological abuse, sometimes called ‘Ambient Abuse’, where false information is pre-

sented to the victim, making them doubt their memory, perception and quite often, their sanity.”

Erik Yamho Ahqha Rydberg said the DA’s Office was incapable of successful prosecution, and urged the city to ask her to make a federal referral. “The last thing I want to see is somebody like Maggie bring forth that case and have it not be done right,” he said.

Kathleen Ann Lowder said that everyone in power in Humboldt County are “white settlers” incapable of supplying justice.

City responses

City Manager Karen Diemer said the National Police Foundation’s investigation is complete and that it is working on the subsequent report, which is expected in May.

She said that if there are any aspects of the report that might jeopardize the ongoing investigation, those would be withheld from public view. However, she said, the report is intended for public consumption.

“I don’t know what the content of the report will be,” Diemer said.

Mayor Brett Watson said the city has sent letters to the Department of Justice and the state attorney general asking for “help” and for them to step in. Other area elected letters have sent similar letters urging state and federal assistance.

Equity Arcata offering overview

EQUITY ARCATA

ARCATA — Equity Arcata is excited to announce an informative presentation at the upcoming Humboldt State University (HSU) Senate meeting on Tuesday, April 2.

Equity Arcata members will share an overview of the organization and four of our seven equity working groups will be presenting their current work.

Meeting attendees will have the opportunity to hear from our Police and Student Safety Forums group led by HSU Chief of Police Donn Peterson. Chief Peterson will present an update from the Chief’s Advisory Panel (CAP) whose focus is to improve transparency and foster stronger relationships with our community, on and off HSU campus.

Meredith Oram will be presenting on behalf of the Training and Learning working group. Members of this group are currently focused on supporting ongoing equity training for the community, reviewing the training modules of HSU’s Educated Landlord and Tenant Program and planning an immersion retreat for May or June of this year.

Lizzie Phillips will present an update from the Bias Reporting Tool and Community Response Team. Members of this group are currently working on collecting data and funds in order to create a mobile application used to report hate and bias incidents in Arcata, at HSU and in the TK-12 grade schools.

The Housing Equity working group aims to create and implement accessible, equitable housing for people of color in Arcata. Len Wolff will discuss the group’s work to establish a seal of approval for local landlords and property management companies, create a tenant education certificate program and build a scholarship program that covers security deposits.

The HSU Senate meeting is open to the public, and all community members are invited to attend. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 2 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Goodwin Forum, located at Nelson Hall East 102 on HSU campus. For more information, please visit equityarcata.com.

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‘Home Away from Home’ at D Street Center this Sunday

EQUITY ARCATA

ARCATA — Equity Arcata is excited to announce that our next Home Away from Home Potluck will take place on Sunday, March 31 in celebration of National Caesar Chavez Day.

In the spirit of camaraderie and goodwill, our Home Away From Home Potluck is a community-building event created to act as a bridge between students, local businesses and the community.

College students are invited to join us and enjoy a free meal and help themselves to donated items from the “Free Stuff Table.”

The Home Away From Home Potluck will take place at the D Street Neighborhood Center located at 1301 D Street in Arcata on Sunday, March 31 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Non-student members of the community who wish to attend the potluck are asked to bring a home-cooked or store-bought dish large enough to serve 10 people with a serving utensil or a hot pad if needed. College students are asked to only bring their appetites.

The focus for this event’s “Free Stuff Table” is non-perishable food. One in five students at Humboldt State University (HSU) report to have regularly skipped meals because they could not afford to buy food.

According to the recent findings of the California State University’s Basic Needs Initiative survey, nearly 46 percent of HSU students reported low or very low food security.

To support the “Free Stuff Table” we are cur-

rently accepting donations of non-perishable food items.

A donation drop-off station will be set up at City Hall, located at 736 F St. in Arcata, on Monday, March 11 through Friday, March 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information regarding the Home Away from Home Potluck and Equity Arcata, visit equityarcata.com or call (707) 822-5953.

Students who would like more information about campus and state food assistance or other community resources, can visit HSU’s Food Cupboard, located at HSU’s Recreation & Wellness Center in Room 122 or email Mira Friedman at mira.friedman@humboldt.edu.

PUBLIC SAFETY

New fire chief named for Six Rivers National Park

SIX RIVERS NATIONAL FOREST

Six Rivers National Forest Supervisor Ted McArthur has announced that Josh Mathiesen has been selected as the new interagency fire chief for the Six Rivers National Forest and Redwood National Park.



Josh Mathiesen

“Josh brings a wealth of fire management experience to the forest,” McArthur said. “We’re all looking forward to having him here on the Six Rivers.” Mathiesen grew up on the central coast of California and graduated from Atascadero High School in 1990. That same year, he became a firefighter with the Bureau of Land Management and the Kern Valley Hotshots based in Bakersfield. After four years there, he became a smokejumper with the California Smokejumpers based in Redding. Throughout his 25-year career as a smokejumper, Mathiesen has been engaged in various detail opportunities – from forest aviation officer and deputy forest fire chief, to forest fire chief.

He views his new position as forest fire chief on the Six Rivers National Forest “as an exciting opportunity and looks forward to working with the forest and local communities in addressing the challenges that lie ahead.”

Mathiesen has a bachelor’s degree in political science from Chico State University, and a master’s degree in communication and leadership studies from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington.

Mathiesen is married and has a daughter, who is serving in the U.S. Army, currently in South Korea. When not working, Mathiesen enjoys traveling, cooking in his brick oven, riding his bike, running and lifting weights.

Mathiesen, whose first day on the forest is April 1, replaces former Fire Chief Mike Minton, who left the forest in March 2018, for a position with the National Park Service.

SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR HEARING The California Department of State Hospitals has proposed a new address for the placement of sexually violent predator Joshua Cooley in Humboldt County. The proposed placement has been identified as a residence on the 2800 block of Alderpoint Road in Garberville. At a hearing on Friday, April 12 at 8:30 a.m. in Humboldt County Superior Court No. 1, the Honorable Judge John Feeney will decide whether to authorize the proposed placement. The Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office and the District Attorney’s Office will strongly oppose the placement due to the significant risk to the public. Humboldt County Sheriff William Honsal encourages members of the public to attend this hearing or send letters with your thoughts or concerns about this release to the District Attorney prior to the hearing. Humboldt County Superior Court has asked all letters go only to the District Attorney’s Office at districtattorney@co.humboldt.ca.us or mailed to District Attorney’s Office, 825 5th St, Eureka, CA 95501. Please do not send letters directly to the Judge Feeney.

Drunken grumplings not open to suggestion

• **Tuesday, February 26 6:21 a.m.** A man who had to leave his Arcata home in a hurry wound up in a Los Angeles hospital. He was worried that his roommate would mine his unsecured valuables and maybe even use his birth certificate for purposes of evil.

• **2:51 p.m.** A man in the police department lobby tried to draw out office staff from behind the protective glass, stating that “I wish to speak to you one on one.” Told that the office personnel wouldn’t do a one-on-one with him in the lobby, he plugged his ears.

• **Thursday, February 28 12:55 a.m.** A disenchanted girlfriend conjured a range of torments for her unsatisfactory boyf. These included breaking his TV and attempting to steal his dog.

• **Friday, March 1 8:01 p.m.** A woman in a camouflage sweater defeated the stealth properties of her fashionable garment by striding back and forth between a low-budget motel and a nearby golden arches, “screaming at the top of her lungs.”

• **Sunday, March 3 2:45**

a.m. All a Bayside Road resident did was ask the three drunks bellowing at each other in the fire lane outside to quiet down. Rather than do so, the drunken grumplings challenged him to a fight.

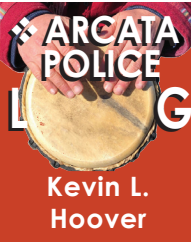
• **Monday, March 4 2:09 p.m.** An Alliance Road resident said someone sprayed weed killer on his grass, killing off half his lawn.

• **Thursday, March 7 11:31 a.m.** A signholder at Samoa Boulevard and H Street held up a sign that read, “CEREAL KILLER.” As if the lame pun wasn’t annoying enough, he continued to push the “WALK” button at the crosswalk so that traffic had to stop and better savor his cardboard-borne wordplay.

• **2:13 p.m.** On Baldwin Street, the brown and white goats were back again.

• **3:40 p.m.** Someone walked in on a woman at an Eighth Street dance studio as she injected an unknown substance into her arm.

• **Saturday, March 9 4:16 p.m.** As a woman drove under the 11th Street overpass on U.S. Highway 101, someone tossed a glass salsa container overboard,



DRUG EMPORIUM The Emporium, located at 1073 H St. next to Pacific Paradise, was selling more than than jewelry and T-shirts, according to the Humboldt County Drug Task Force. During a raid of the business, right, and several residences, the task force found drugs and guns, left.

LEFT PHOTO FROM HCDTF, RIGHT PHOTO BY JACK DURHAM | UNION

Drug Task Force raids downtown Arcata business, homes, siezes drugs and guns

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

ARCATA – On Tuesday, March 19 the Humboldt County Drug Task Force (HCDTF) served multiple search warrants in the City of Arcata.

During a year-long investigation, HCDTF established probable cause to believe that Karlton Morris Peterson, 37, Anthony Osmond Peterson, 36, and Lloyd Albert Wolfe Jr., 34, were distributing cocaine, illegally possessed pharmaceuticals and other illicit drugs from their business, The Emporium, located at 1073 H St., Arcata.

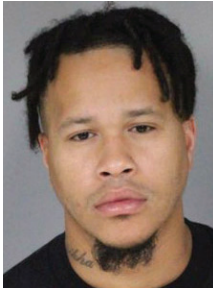
At about 1:55 p.m., HCDTF special agents, with the assistance of officers from the Arcata Police Department, Eureka Police Department and Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office, served a total of four search warrants in the City of Arcata.

In addition to the aforementioned business, search warrants were served at residences located on the 500 block of G Street, 1000 block of H Street and 2700 block of L.K. Wood Boulevard.

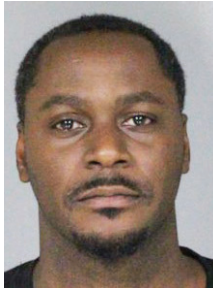
At these locations agents seized multiple ounces of cocaine, MDMA, prescription narcotics, psilocybin mushrooms and several illegally pos-



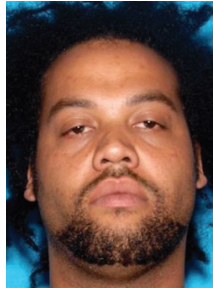
Anthony Peterson



Jonathan Celestine



Lloyd Wolfe Jr.



Karlton Peterson

sessed firearms. It is believed this business was a “one stop shop” for purchasing illegal narcotics. Upon entering The Emporium, agents contacted and arrested Lloyd Albert Wolfe Jr., and booked him into Humboldt County Correctional Facility (HCCF) on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance for sales, possession of controlled substances while armed, possession of firearm silencer and possession of an assault rifle

At the G Street location, agents contacted and arrested Jonathan Israel Celestine, 34. Celestine was booked into the HCCF on suspicion of possession of controlled substances for sales.

On Wednesday, March 20, Anthony Osmond Peterson contacted

the HCDTF and surrendered himself to agents. He was transported to the HCCF and booked on the above listed charges.

Agents have been unable to locate Karlton Morris Peterson and a Ramey Warrant for the same charges has been issued for his arrest. The HCDTF is asking for the public’s assistance in locating Peterson, who should be considered armed and dangerous. Peterson is described as a black male adult, 5’11”, 225 pounds.

Anyone with information related to this investigation or other narcotics related crimes are encouraged to call the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 267-9976 or the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.

New campaign launched to fight addiction

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

HUMBOLDT – The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recently launched the “Your Pain is Real. So Are the Risks.” campaign to raise awareness about the dangers of prescription medications that contain opioids and encourage patients to talk to doctors about safer pain management options.

The campaign features short descriptions of the potential hazards of opioids and offers resources to begin addiction treatment. Community residents will see these materials at grocery stores around the county.

“The complexity of the opioid crisis requires a coordinated response,” said Dana Murguia, senior program manager for the Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) Public Health branch. “We work with community partners such as Rx Safe Humboldt

and Humboldt Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention to help prevent opioid addiction and overdose through drug treatment, support for safe prescribing practices and naloxone distribution.”

The misuse of prescription pain medications that contain opioids, such as hydrocodone, oxycodone, morphine and codeine, can lead to addiction, overdose and death.

In 2017, 18 county residents visited emergency departments and 24 were hospitalized because of an opioid-related overdose. Twenty-eight people died from opioid-related overdoses during the same year.

To learn more about CDPH’s campaign, visit TheRisksAreReal.cdph.ca.gov. For information about local opioid addiction prevention efforts, contact DHHS’s Healthy Communities Division at (707) 268-2132 or publichealthaad@co.humboldt.ca.us.

striking her car.

11:15 p.m. An I Streeter called in about a loud party “at the usual house.”

• **Sunday, March 10 6:28 p.m.** Asked to leave an H Street store after arguing with staff, a man instead rolled around on the floor, damaging things.

• **Monday, March 11 12:38 a.m.** To a man on H Street who demanded that someone but him cigarettes, the refusal was fightin’ words.

9:03 a.m. A man wearing a hoodie and shorts, with a gray beard, walked up behind a woman at Sunset Avenue and Jay Street and grabbed her behind.

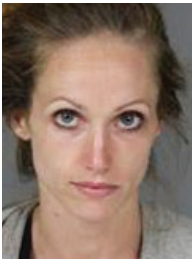
9:53 p.m. A woman on E Street reported having been assaulted with a pipe. She had multiple abrasions and bumps on her head, plus fresh bite marks on her shoulder.

9:57 p.m. A woman at City Hall had a knot on her head and was bleeding from the face.

• **Tuesday, March 12 1:08 a.m.** A Union Street resident was reported “yelling and stomping.”



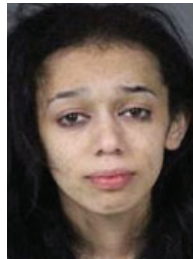
Fredy Parral Aguirre



Jocelyn Dominock



Miguel Maganda-Quinones



Savannah Smith



Robert Anderson

You can help the DA’s Office locate these outstanding individuals

HUMBOLDT – The Humboldt County District Attorney’s Office seeks assistance from the community with the apprehension of five suspects with outstanding warrants.

Fredy Parral Aguirre, 28, has an outstanding felony warrant for spousal abuse, assault with a deadly weapon, vandalism, and hit and run. Aguirre was last known to reside in Ferndale.

Jocelyn Dominick, 31, has an outstanding warrant for impersonating another person and false identification to a peace officer.

Miguel Angel Maganda-Quinones, 42, has an outstanding felony warrant for driving under the influence of alcohol while causing injury, driving with a suspended license, and driving with a blood

alcohol content above .15 percent BAC.

Maganda-Quinones has a second outstanding misdemeanor warrant for driving under the influence of alcohol on a prior date. He was last known to reside in Ferndale.

Robert Anderson, 44, has an outstanding felony warrant for spousal abuse and disobeying a court order.

Savannah Smith, 22, has an outstanding warrant for driving under the influence of alcohol and refusing a chemical test. The warrant was issued by Judge Kaleb Cockrum on March 11, 2019 when Smith failed to appear for a previously scheduled jury trial.

If you have information regarding any of these suspects, contact your local law enforcement agency immediately.

OPINIONNews

Sometimes the 40,000-foot view offers the best perspective

Homer’s heart is happy

The following is taken from *Personal thoughts and recollections: Humboldt State*, HOMER P. BALABANIS, Faculty Emeritus:

“The development of this program (Nursing Program) in which I took a real personal interest, entailed ‘Blood, sweat, and tears,” for it started from nothing except for some basic science courses.

For years it was known that the local hospitals were handicapped by the lack of trained registered nurses. Students from this area would go to San Francisco for such training; but, after graduation, they would remain to work in that city. This problem was first brought to my attention in a letter from Dr. Theodore Loring, a Eureka practicing obstetrician and gynecologist, who urged us to plan a program for registered nurses at Humboldt. (circa 1958) Such a program, however, required clinical experience at a hospital accredited by the American Medical Association and the American Hospital Association. Hospitals in this area were not accredited.

In consultation with the local hospital and medical staff as well as with the accrediting agencies, we determined that the first step toward accreditation was the inauguration of a system of medical records kept for each patient entering a hospital. Such records were practically nonexistent. It took years to solve this problem and to improve other hospital conditions; but, finally the three hospitals in Eureka and the one in Arcata were accredited.”

It would be still more years and obstacles to provide for the needs of the students and to implement the curriculum and even for students to access hospitals. Few had access to cars and there was no public

transportation!

Dr. Balabanis’ heart would be full to know that the circle is completed with the Hospitals donating back to the University and College of the Redwoods is a true partner of the nursing education path. This is what makes us a community

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Siemens
McKinleyville

Not-so-grand Central

I completely agree with Robert Thoman’s letter to the *Union* on March 1, 2019. I live near Central Avenue and frequently ride my bike or walk both north to Clam Beach and South into McKinleyville town center. Several years ago or more the County paved the shoulder of Central Ave but stopped about 200 yds north of Hooven Excavating Co.

The shoulder of Central Avenue in both directions north of that point is horrendous. Gravel, potholes, and vegetation overgrowth causes the shoulder to be non-existent in many places. Cracks, bulges, and complete absence of pavement can extend a yard or so into the driving lane.

This forces a bicyclist to literally ride in the road with vehicles passing by at 50 to 60 MPH. In some locations even pedestrians must walk in the road due to the non-existent shoulder.

The situation is as bad as the old 101 Mad River Bridge where bicyclists rode in the lane with vehicles travelling at 65-75 mph literally inches away.

The poor condition of Central Avenue needs to be addressed before a pedestrian or bicyclist is killed.

Martin Smukler
McKinleyville

❖ LETTERS

Appreciate the arts

I think Californians, too often, take the art around us for granted.

I’d like to extend a thank you to every person who has donated to a Humboldt arts organization, to every person leading those arts organizations, to every person creating art, and to every patron of the arts.

In various other states, the argument has to be made why the arts are a vital component to the economy, improve individuals’ lives, unify communities, improve health care, and drive tourism and revenue to local businesses.

Thankfully, they rarely have to be made in California as we have a governor and representatives who are strong arts activists.

Starting this year, April will officially be Arts, Culture and Creativity Month in the State of California. To this end, I’d like to share some of the interesting new facts and data that has been reported by Americans for the Arts:

“Attendees at non-profit arts events spend \$31.47 per person, per event, beyond the cost of admission on items such as meals, parking, and babysitters — valuable commerce for local businesses.”

“The arts heal the mental, physical, and moral injuries of war for military service members and Veterans, who rank the creative arts therapies in the top four (of 40) interventions and treatments.”

“The production of all arts and cultural goods in the U.S. added \$764 billion to the economy in 2015 ... a larger share of the nation’s economy (4.2 percent) than transportation, tourism, and agriculture... which

supports more than 4.6 million jobs.”

I hope these statistics articulate just how important the arts are on many different levels and effect all of us. Now go see that play, hear that symphony, and study that painting. It’s a great time to get involved in the arts!

Roman Sanchez
Arcata and Blue Lake

Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Sadly, teenage crashes increase this time of year. Drinking and cell phones are some problems.

Many drivers now have their eyes glued to their phone on their lap or side of the steering wheel. Is this a “social norm”? This illegal trend must end.

Drivers are aware of the danger driving drunk poses. A drunken driver hit me when I was 16 in 1992 and was seriously injured. Surgery and therapy became my teenage life. My gait, hearing and speech are damaged.

Sending a text when driving reduces your abilities down to a drunken driver. Drunken drivers weave lanes, speed through red lights, and do not signal when turning just like a driver using a cell phone would do.

When driving to anywhere like College of the Redwoods, ditch the phone! Have people leave messages and call when parked.

Using a phone when driving can result in a ticket or crash, if not fatal, will haunt your future driving.

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Do not drink and drive and “X the Txt.”

Lori Martin
Tracy

Pete’s now known as Peter, and he has a good Humboldt friend

Arcata’s former Ragman enoys alligator lunches and grape juice wine

The place that Ragman Pete calls home is now called Secora Healthcare, in Portland, Ore.

I started working at Secora the beginning of September. Walking past Pete, I felt the pull, I knew he was familiar. I knew his, recalled his face, his laugh, but what was missing was his capes and gowns.

I had only ever saw Pete standing; he is in a wheelchair now. Pete with his tall scorcerer’s hat was an impressive height and sight.

At this time, Peter still wears a pointed hat, red or sage color, but he has lost his height. Peter is now in a wheelchair. Peter walks around the facility in his wheelchair, his long legs move back and forth while he walks, reminding me of an insect, a cricket or some other long-legged creature.

Peter welcomes everyone on the morning with a smile. When I come into the facility in the morning, he is in the dining room, working, after everyone else has finished their meals.

Peter clears out the dining tables and takes off the used table clothes and places them in a bag to go to laundry.

Peter has asked for a few things since I have been in the facility. A Bible in Spanish, a pair of reading glasses and some long socks. He reminds me of Mary Poppins and her magic carpet bag.



❖ THE PETE REPORT
Amy Erickson

When I ask Peter, “Where are your glasses?” he will turn to the back of his wheelchair and pull out multiple bottles of soda, boxes of tissues, sheets, a binder with his articles from the *Arcata Eye*, a Bible in English. Then the glasses appear.

Peter has other areas on him that he stashes his treasures. When purchasing socks for Peter I am very mindful of how long and stretchy the socks are, so that he call fill them like Santa.

Peter still wears part of his cloak as the past Ragman. He drapes the blanket over one shoulder and ties it, looking like a toga.

Peter likes to keep his hair long and when asked if he would like to get a haircut, his reply every time is: “I will scare the mosquitos.”

All of the women who work at and live in the facility are Peter’s “sweethearts” or “cuties.”

Peter is just as likely to be cruising down the hallway to purchase a soda from the soda machine for a male resident as he is to be sitting in the common area holding the hand of an older female resident.

Peter knows me most days. Some days he will forget I was the woman who went to college at Humboldt State, who would see him standing on the side of the freeway after getting out of court in Eureka, hitching a ride back to

Arcata.

Ragman Pete, who would blow kisses to me from the other side of the street. Peter and I get to blow kisses to each other every day now. He catches every one.

For all new employees, I do the introduction of Peter, joyfully, talking about how we are two old friends. “Peter is famous you know. Look at these beautiful paintings of Peter.”

I play Peter’s song “Open Your Heart.” Peter sings along softly, between giggles, says: “My friend, he plays that guitar.” I get to bask in a bit of the magic that is Pete.

People are still enamored with Pete’s silly, playful sense of humor. A resident will ask: “What are we having for lunch?” Peter responds: “alligator.”



PETE’S PENDANT He wears a reminder of his former home.

Peter and I will be in the middle of a serious conversation about fingernail fungus or seeing



FROM ARCATA TO PORTLAND Pete Villarreal and Amy Erickson.
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the dentist when all of a sudden Pete will ask, “Do you have a 2 by 4?” I look at Pete, quizzically. “I want to see stars and rainbows. If you could hit me in the head with a 2 by 4, maybe I could see them.”

The female staff in the facility like to think of creative ways to let Peter down nicely when I’m asked for the 100th time: “Will you marry me?”

While Pete’s smile is what is seen by the resident’s and Staff at Secora on a regular basis, there are days of melancholy for Pete. Pete will talk about being “stuck” here in the facility (I had to get permission from Pete’s legal guardian in order to write this piece about him.)

Peter will talk about going out

and getting some wine or beer or tequila. I don’t think he remembers how difficult life had gotten there on the streets for him at the end of his Arcata stay. He keeps the good memories alive in his mind and the kindness of people in Humboldt County.

Pete is settled in now. He knows that people care about him. He knows he is safe. And every morning, when I come into work and see him smiling, I give him a bit of fun and fantasy: “Hey Peter, let’s get you a cup of wine (grape juice).”

Amy Erickson graduated from Humboldt State in 2000 with a BA in journalism, and has always been inspired by Pete.



BAYSIDE BOUNTY Wonderful produce from Bayside Park Farm. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Attention produce shoppers: sign up for farm shares

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata Parks and Recreation Division is now accepting enrollment for Summer 2019 farm shares from Bayside Park Farm.

Bayside Park Farm is a three-acre vegetable farm located in the City of Arcata’s Bayside Park that is dedicated to cultivating connections between the community and sustainable agriculture.

The Bayside Park Farm share program was the first Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) in Arcata, and it has provided the

community with local, organic produce for over 20 years.

Since 1993, the farm has acted as an incubator to fledgling farmers by providing a space to develop practical skills in organic and sustainable agriculture.

Purchasing a Bayside Park Farm share helps carry on this tradition by giving the next generation of local farmers their beginning. Farm share enrollment is currently available for weekly pick-up beginning in June 2019.

Bayside Park Farm is located at 930 Old

Arcata Road, and full shares cost \$450 for the growing season which lasts 21 weeks from June to November 2019.

Early enrollment is encouraged as shares are limited. Farm share payment plan options are available, and community members interested in utilizing that option are encouraged to call (707) 822-7091.

For more information or to enroll in the farm share program, visit cityofarcata.org, call (707) 822-7091 or stop by the Arcata Recreation Division office located at 736 F St. in Arcata.

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State of the community to be addressed at LWV luncheon

McKeegan, Dell'Arte to be honored

EUREKA – On Friday, April 12, at the 28th Annual League of Women Voters State of the Community Luncheon, Humboldt County Supervisor Rex Bohn, will speak about the biggest challenge facing the county, the state of the county's budget and the most important goals for Humboldt County in the coming year.

This year's keynote speaker will be Cassandra Hesseltine, Humboldt-Del Norte Film commissioner.

The Film Commission is the official advocate for filming in our area.

Recently, Hesseltine has been working with the producers of a Netflix original movie that includes scenes shot in Del Norte County on the Smith River.

The commission provides all sorts of services to film crews, including finding locations and catering, as well as hair dressers, musicians, animal handlers and more.

Civic Contribution Awards will be presented to long time community volunteer Michele McKeegan and the Blue Lake-based theater program Dell'Arte International.

Dell'Arte serves about 90 theater students at any given time and includes work with local non-profits in their curriculum.

The school was placed "with distinction" in 2010



KEYNOTE SPEAKER Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commissioner Cassandra Hesseltine.

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on the President's Honor Roll, a national award for community service.

McKeegan is a founder of two non-profits including Six Rivers Planned Parenthood (now part of Planned Parenthood of Northern California) which opened in Eureka in the mid-1970s and Keep Eureka Beautiful, well known for the tree planting activities of its volunteers since 1996.

The luncheon will take place at the Adorni Center in Eureka with seating at 11:30 a.m. Information about tickets, which must be purchased in advance, may be found at lwvhe.org.

org or by calling (707) 442-2729.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

League members register voters at community events, conduct candidate forums and take positions on issues based on study and consensus.

A website, Voters Edge California, provides election information.

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KEF performs Saturday night at the Bayside Community Hall.

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Bandemonium brings Balkan music to Bayside

Gregg Moore

SPECIAL TO THE UNION

BAYSIDE – The full glory of the brass band traditions of the Balkan countries will be on display Saturday, March 30 at the Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd., when local activist street band Bandemonium presents the Eugene, Oregon based brass band Kef.

“Kef” is a Turkish word referring to the spirit and energy shared by a group of people in celebration. It’s a state of being, an intangible quality approaching ecstasy and usually involving music and a sensation Balkan brass bands are more than capable of conjuring.

Much as the culture of the Caribbean has informed our local Humboldt culture through the establishment of the HSU steel drum orchestra, Kef has grown out of the East European Folk Music Ensemble at the Music Department of the University of Oregon.

The band came together in 2007 and has been per-

forming for dancers, festivals and sit-down audiences ever since. Its music is a sampling of the regional genres found across the Balkans, from Bulgarian wedding music to Serbian brass band, and from 1960s radio-style orchestrations to simple melody/drone-based village music.

At 6 p.m. doors will open for a short welcoming set of new alternative music for brass bands by the hosts Bandemonium and at 7 p.m. a short introduction to Balkan dance will be coordinated by local purveyors of Balkan culture, Linnea Mandell and Craig Kurumada.

Finally at 8 p.m. Kef will take the floor (not the stage as Balkan dances take place with the band in the middle of the room while the dances swirl around them) for two hours of balkan dancing.

Entrance is \$10 and food, wine and beer will be available. Although correctly a dance, listeners will be welcome and amply rewarded with an evening of exciting and exotic sounds.

Rise Up! An Evening of Melodrama

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BLUE LAKE - Melodrama is a heightened, musical style of theatre where unbridled passions reign, and where the forces of good in human nature triumph over terrible obstacles.

Come join students of Dell’Arte’s Professional Training Program as they perform short melodramas of their own devising in *Rise Up! An Evening of Melodrama*, Thursday, March 28 through Saturday, March 30 at 8 p.m. Dell’Arte’s Carlo Theatre, 131 H St. in Blue Lake. All student performances are pay-what-you-can.

A popular theatrical style which originated in Europe and America in the nineteenth century, melodrama at its best conveys the sufferings and struggles of characters who are tested by terrible adversity, so that, when all seems lost, the enduring human values of love, justice, compassion, and courage may triumph. This rousing and inspiring style of theatre finds particular resonance today in our divided times.

Rise Up! An Evening of

Melodrama is comprised of short, original dramas performed by Dell’Arte’s First Year Ensemble, featuring students from Italy, New Zealand, Zimbabwe and the U.S.

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For reservations call (707) 668-5663 or visit dellarte.com. The performances are appropriate for ages 12 and up.



MELODRAMA Haldrup Lorenzen and Yulie Archontaki in *An Evening of Melodrama 2014*.

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RUMBLE READY Attend Rebel Craft Rumble and witness the return of the Beaver Sisters. **SCRAP HUMBOLDT**

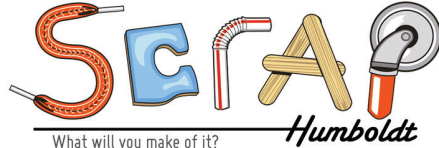
Brave the 6th Rebel Craft Rumble at Arcata Playhouse March 30

SCRAP HUMBOLDT

ARCATA – Four teams will enter the ring, yarn will fly, paper will be cut and one team will emerge as the Extreme Ultimate Supreme Craft Master! SCRAP Humboldt presents its sixth annual education fundraiser, Rebel Craft Rumble on Saturday, March 30 at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for Happy Hour: mingling with the teams and judges, the start of silent auction bidding, and food and drink specials. The crafty competition heats up at 7:30 p.m.

Inspired by the creative competition TV shows like *Iron Chef* and *Making It*, the Rebel Craft Rumble will pit four teams of artists against each other in creative reuse-inspired crafty battles. Each round will feature a secret challenge; the teams will have only 10 minutes to create a masterpiece with surprise materials gleaned from



the depths of the SCRAP Humboldt’s creative reuse center.

The Beaver Sisters are returning to battle newbie teams the Fabulous Fabricators, and Forest Futher Muckers, and Let’s Get Physical: The Aerobic Crafters! Each team will attempt to out craft each other in this MacGyver-like battle of wits, creativity, bribes, skills and secret weapons!

Technique, utility and artistic prowess of each team will be judged by radio super DJ Mike Dronkers, a secret guest judge, and by the reigning Extreme Ultimate Supreme Craft Masters, R and C Craft Factory. Local comedian and SCRAP Humboldt’s own Dev Richards hosts this battle of crafty wits.

This event features silent auction and raffles from the North Coast’s generous local businesses such as Café Mokka, Holly Yashi, the Minor Theater, Redwood Roots Farm, Parker’s Beauty Bar and HealthSPORT. Libations generously provided by Ninkasi Brewery, Lost Coast Brewery, Six Rivers Brewery, Revive Kombucha, and the Booth Brewery, plus generous sponsors The Heart of Humboldt and Art Center.

Last year the Rumble helped provide 10 scholarships to kids to attend their Camp SCRAP during the summer! The challenges will be titillating, the pressure will be palpable because this level of fun only happens once a year.

This event always sells out so get your tickets at SCRAP Humboldt, Wildberries Marketplace and online at scraphumboldt.org. More information can be found at scraphumboldt.org or call SCRAP at (707) 822-2452. Rebel Craft Rumble is a fundraiser for SCRAP Humboldt’s environmental and arts education programs.

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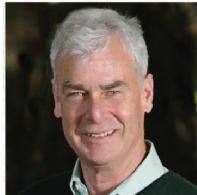
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Student of the Month

The Wha-Nika Student of the Month at Blue Lake School for March is sixth grader Hiro Sugata.

She is a fun and high achieving sixth-grader who is kind and outgoing. She loves to read and swim. Hiro was born in Japan and is interested in her heritage and is happy to share interesting facts about her culture.

Hiro is the treasurer of the Blue Lake School Student Council and also plays basketball. She is always willing to help others and is an excellent representative of Blue Lake School!

Community involvement

Don't forget that there are always ways to be involved in our community.

Coming up on Monday, April 1 is the Blue Lake Public Safety Commission at 6 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 2 at 3:30 p.m. is the Blue Lake Economic Development Commission, both held at Skinner Store behind City Hall.

If you are interested in becoming more engaged in areas of business, economic growth, public safety and emergency preparedness, then perhaps one of these meetings is for you!

New website

The City of Blue Lake has been working on a new website for almost a year, and we are happy to announce that at the beginning of April, we plan to launch this site. Keep your eyes peeled.

bluelake.ca.gov



❖ BLUE LAKE NOTES
April Sousa

FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE REFUGE Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge invites you to Friday Night at the Refuge on April 5. The Shorebird Loop Trail and Visitor Center will be open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.. Enjoy a walk along the trail in the evening hours and a presentation titled "Nest in Peace" with Joyce Melin. Beginning at 6 p.m. view a display of eastern U.S. bird nests. Birds use a variety of ordinary materials to make extraordinary cradles for their young. At 7 p.m., the presentation will demonstrate the energy and dedication it takes to raise a brood, the challenges birds face, and how we can help them nest in peace. Melin recently returned to Humboldt County after 30 years in Virginia, where she was education chair at Richmond Audubon Society. She enjoys birding with her husband Ron, and presenting education programs to children and adults. Meet at Richard J. Guadagno Headquarters & Visitor Center, 1020 Ranch Rd. in Loleta. For more information, please call (707) 733-5406 or visit fws.gov/refuge/humboldt_bay.



LANPHERE DUNES Join a Friends of the Dunes Naturalist for a free guided tour of the Lanphere Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, April 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Lanphere Dunes Unit is home to diverse coastal ecosystems including coastal dune forest, seasonal wetlands, and large moving sand dunes. Meet at Pacific Union School, 3001 Janes Rd. in Arcata to carpool to the protected site. For more information and to reserve a spot, contact Friends of the Dunes at (707) 444-1397 or info@friendsofthedunes.org.

MORNING BIRDING Redwood Region Audubon Society is sponsoring a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, April 6. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet Alexa DeJoannis in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

CONSERVATION MEETING Redwood Region Audubon Society will hold its monthly Conservation Meeting on Thursday, April 11, at noon at Rita's Margaritas and Mexican Grill, 1111 Fifth St., Eureka. (707) 445-8311.

GLORIFIED DINOSAURS Join Redwood Region Audubon Society on Friday, April 12 for a program titled "Glorified Dinosaurs: The Origin and Early Evolution of Birds" presented by Elliott Dabill. Everyone loves birds, and they reward our attention on walks with constant discoveries in variety and color. This presentation will reveal some global findings of the last 20 years that promise to enrich what you know about birds: fossil finds that show feathers, fossils that connect birds to dinosaurs, and bird behavior and physiology that can now be explained through deep time. We are in the Golden Age of dinosaur exposition, especially of the dinosaurs that are birds. Refreshments at 7 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., Arcata. Bring a mug for shade-grown coffee and come fragrance-free.

FIELD TRIP Redwood Region Audubon Society is sponsoring a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, April 13. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Larry Karsteadt in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

WILLOW CREEK BIRDS Join Redwood Region Audubon Society on Saturday, April 13, for a Willow Creek bird walk. Meet at Studio 299 (75 The Terrace, Willow Creek) starting at 9 a.m. We will depart promptly at 9:30 for our destination; carpooling available. Walks generally run 2- to 3-hours. All ages, abilities and interest levels welcome! For more information, please contact Birgitte Elbek at (707) 267-4140 or willowcreekbird-walks@gmail.com.

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Outdoor art, outreach event and more in the seaside village

Trinidad School board member and parent Rose Adams will accompany Stephanie Strasser's third-grade class to the Howland Hill Outdoor School in Redwood National Park in April. The camping expedition includes historical narratives with rangers dressed as local historical figures and environmental education as well.

Rose reports that "Trinidad School goes above and beyond on field trips; in addition to many day trips nearly every grade third and up does an overnight adventure."

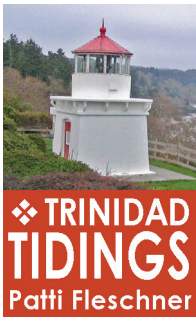
Trinidad State Beach outdoor art

Susan Stephenson is hosting a Peruvian Montessori teacher this week. One of their many outdoor adventures included a long walk on Trinidad State Beach, where they discovered beach art formed by unknown beachcombers from unusual driftwood. If you head to the beach it might still be there.

Susan brought her guest to Trinidad Museum, where she was pleased to learn that Juan Francisco de la Bodega y Quadra, the Spanish naval captain who accompanied Bruno Hezeta in the 1775 voyage to Trinidad, was born in Lima, Peru. (Lois Harrington and Dick Bruce visited his home there in a visit a few years ago.)

The navigators claimed Trinidad for Spain and named it "La Santissima Trinidad" on Trinity Sunday, June 11, 1775.

The Spanish crew aboard the Santiago and the Sonora, remained



in Trinidad for 10 days before sailing north. Bodega y Quadra, respected by his fellow officers, crew, and the indigenous people he encountered during several voyages of discovery through 1794, when he died at the age of 50.

Trinidad Rancheria hosts special outreach event

The Cher-ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria will host a special outreach event for older adults on Tuesday, April 2 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A free shuttle service from Trinidad Library and Park area to the Rancheria will transport visitors.

Representatives from Humboldt County Public Guardian, Humboldt County Veterans Services, Eureka Veterans Center, Humboldt County Programs for Recovery, In Home Supportive Services (IHSS), and Humboldt County Public Health Fall Prevention Program (this includes Tai Chi instruction) will be present to tell about their programs.

'The Art of Spring' Ladies Salon

Inner Center Fine Arts Institute, Inc. co-founder Donna Haddock will present "The Art of Spring" at a Ladies Salon on Friday, April 5, at 10 a.m. Light refreshments served. Seating limited. Call (707) 496-5350 for venue location and reservations. Go to icfineartsinc.org for information about the world-wide outreach organization.

Big Lagoon School art winners

Art students Rylee Carr, Na-tess Lara, Numi-koy Oliver-Rigden, Teh-



DRIFTWOOD ART This driftwood art piece was spotted on Trinidad Beach. PHOTO BY SUSAN STEPHENSON

sa'an-xwe Cooper and Liam Vukonich all were given prizes for their art at the recent California Federation of Women's Club Arts and Crafts Competition in Trinidad last month.

In addition, Big Lagoon School chef Jason Richie won two blue ribbons for his quilts.

In other school news, the students enjoyed a Quack and Wabbit puppet show presented by the Companion Animal Foundation.

Next week, the school will participate in Tsunami Preparation Week. Find out more about big Lagoon Union School District by contacting Superintendent-Principal Jennifer Glueck at admin@biglagoon.org or call (707) 677-3688.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net

McKinleyville students compete in math contest

In celebration of National Surveyor's Week (March 17 - 22), local chapters of California Land Surveyors Association (CLSA) and Professional Engineers in California Government (PECG) sponsored the annual Trig*Star event March 22 at McKinleyville High School. The local chapter of CLSA provided refreshments and the local chapter of PECG provided the cash awards.



MATH COMPETITORS From left, Dylan Gonzales (5th place), Adrian Molofsky (4th place), Ian Curtis (3rd place), Adam Vera (2nd place), and Ryan Dolan (1st place). SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Trig*Star event is a high school math competition consisting of timed exercises that involve solving trigonometry problems using right triangle formulas, circle formulas, the law of sines and the law of cosines.

Ryan Dolan was the top scorer of 18 competitors and was named the local 2019 Trig*Star Champion. He automatically gains entry to the State competition and can possibly continue to the National competition. The



top 5 competitors received cash awards courtesy of Professional Engineers in California Government. The top 2 competitors will also receive cash awards from State Sponsor the California Transportation Foundation (CTF).

Special thanks to Camilla Barrett, Jessica Wahlund and the staff at McKinleyville

High School for hosting the event. For more information on Careers in Land surveying Call (916) 239-4083 or visit CLSA online at surveyath.org.

At the brewery

Good Company performs Celtic music today, March 27 from 8 to 11 p.m. at the Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Ave. in McKinleyville. Also at the brewery:

- Jimmy Jeff & the Gypsy Band perform Thursday,

March 28 from 9 to 11 p.m. The band plays covers of Hendrix and Prince and plays funk, blues and R&B.

- Michael Davyid performs Friday, March 29 from 8 to 11 p.m. Davyid is a solo song writer and guitarist.
- Trivia Night is Sunday, March 31 at 8 p.m. First prize is \$50 in brwery bucks.
- Karaoke with DJ Marv is Monday, April 1 at 9 p.m.

HEALTHCARE TALK HSU's Associated Students, American Medical Students' Association and PreMed Society clubs are sponsoring two nationally acclaimed speakers on Thursday, April 11 at HSU's Kate Buchanan Room. Doors open at 5 p.m., with a presentation at 5:30 p.m., followed by questions and answers. Speaking will be Dr. Ed Weisbar of Physicians for a National Health Program and professor of medicine at Washington University, St. Louis, together with Timothy Faust, self-proclaimed The Heavy Metal Healthcare Advocate and author of *Health Justice Now*. For information call healthcareforallhumboldt@gmail.com or call (707) 822 3141.

HULU TALK Dan Phillips, whose life has taken him from Bridgeville School to the leadership team at streaming service Hulu, returns home to Humboldt to talk about his experiences at a special event on Thursday, April 4. The free event starts at 6 p.m. at the Sequoia Conference Center, 901 Myrtle Ave. in Eureka. Those arriving early get a free burrito dinner, while supplies last. Phillips's talk, "From Humboldt to Hulu," will include highlights from his journey, insights about the high tech industry, ideas about the future of work, and some tips about big opportunities for young people. Phillips grew up in Humboldt County, and began his education at Bridgeville School before attending Fortuna High School, College of the Redwoods, and Humboldt State University. During college, he worked for Eel River Sawmills where he drove a dump truck, and he also coached for Fortuna High. He started his first business in Arcata in partnership with one of his college professors. Phillips is now Hulu's Chief Technology Officer. The event is sponsored by Get Ready Humboldt, a community initiative to inspire young people



Dan Phillips

to think about further education after high school, and to help their families understand how they can be supportive. Get Ready Humboldt is sponsored by Humboldt County Office of Education, College of the Redwoods, and Humboldt State University.

VEGAN COOK-OFF On Saturday, March 30 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., the Vegan Society of Humboldt will host its 10th Annual Chili Cook-off and Potluck at the Humboldt Area Foundation located at 363 Indianola Rd. Bayside. Bring your best Vegan Chili (if competing), and or side dish or dessert that will feed 6 to 10 people and your own place setting. Prizes will be awarded for the best mild, spicy, unusual and best overall chili. Please bring only vegan items. Vegan means no animal or animal derived products, meat, chicken, fish, dairy, eggs, honey, gelatin, etc) This event is free to the public, but donations are encouraged to cover the room rental.

vegsoctyofhumboldt.blogspot.com, [facebook.com/vegsoctyofhumboldt](https://www.facebook.com/vegsoctyofhumboldt)

SYRIA TALK Tom Gage, retired Humboldt State history professor, will discuss Syria during a question and answer session on Saturday, March 30 at the Samoa Cookhouse, 908 Vance Ave. at noon. Lunch is no-host. Gage has been fascinated by the Middle East since the 1950s. With Syria so much in the news, this will be an opportunity to learn more about this challenged country. Gage has three recent books in print. They are *Gulen's Dialogue on Education* and *American Prometheus: Carnegie's Captain, Bill Jones* and *Biblical Time Out of Mind: Myths, Maps and Memories*, which he co-authored with James Freeman, an HSU graduate who teaches in Bucks County, PA. The free public event is hosted by Northcoast Mensa, which stages public forums several times a year. For more information contact Jake Williams at (707) 834-4668.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
DUSTIN E. OWENS AND CRYSTAL PEP- PER
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV190166
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: WILLOW RIVERSONG OWENS to Proposed name: WILLOW RIVERSONG.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: APRIL 12, 2019
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: FEB. 25, 2019
KELLY L. NEEL
Judge of the Superior Court
3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
NOLA JEAN MAXWELL BABCOCK
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV190144
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: NOLA JEAN MAXWELL BABCOCK to Proposed name: NOLA JEAN MAXWELL.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without

a hearing.
Date: APRIL 19, 2019
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: FEB. 21, 2019
KELLY L. NEEL
Judge of the Superior Court
3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BETTY JO CRINER
CASE NO.: PR190051
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
BETTY JO CRINER
Petition for Probate has been filed by: DELBERT CRINER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: DELBERT CRINER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: MARCH 28, 2019
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for the petitioner: ARTHUR NIELSEN
GALE & NIELSEN
2850 HARRIS ST.
EUREKA, CA 95503
(707) 269-0167
3/13, 3/20, 3/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ROBERT ELLIOT SHIFRIN
CASE NO.: PR190048

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
ROBERT ELLIOT SHIFRIN

Petition for Probate has been filed by: JEN VIALE, AKA JENNY LEE VIALE, PETITIONER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JEN VIALE, AKA JENNY LEE VIALE, PETITIONER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: APRIL 4, 2019
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE
SECTION 294

Case Name: Madison De Los Santos
Case No. JV180253

1. To Michael Dean Smith, Jr. and anyone claiming to be a parent of Madison De Los Santos born on 11/12/18 at St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on 6/24/19 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

• For viewing at City Manager's Office, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, CA 95521 and at the Humboldt Builder's Exchange, 1213 5th Street, Eureka, CA 95501.

The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and performance bond.
The City of Arcata hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that for any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The above PROJECT is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each contractor or subcontractor listed on the bid proposal must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. [with limited exceptions for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1 (a)]. Pursuant to Section 1733 of the Labor Code,

DEPARTMENT 736 "F" STREET ARCATA, CA (707) 825-2128 NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR 2019 ARCATA ASPHALT GRIND AND INLAY PROJECT
Engineer's Estimate
\$400,000.00

The City of Arcata is soliciting bids for WORK consisting of furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, incidentals and performing all work required to grind out and repave failed asphalt on multiple roads throughout the City of Arcata. The project includes, but is not limited to: grinding asphalt, roadway excavation, compaction, asphalt paving, traffic control, and raising manholes, valves, cleanouts and monument covers in Arcata.

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 28th, 2019, at 11 a.m. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory. The meeting will begin at Arcata City Hall in the City Council Chambers (736 "F" Street, Arcata, CA 95521), and will be followed by a project site walk-through.

Sealed bids will be received until the hour of 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 4th, 2019, at which time they will be transferred to the Arcata City Council Chambers where they will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Engineer or his designated representative. Said bids will be referred to the Arcata City Council for consideration at their next meeting on or after April 17th, 2019.

This WORK is to prepare for a slurry-surfacing project beginning July 1st, 2019. This project is to be completed before June 28, 2019. Notice to Proceed for this project will be issued on or after April 18th, 2019.

Bids received after the specified opening time will not be considered. The bidder is solely responsible for the timely delivery of the bid.

CONTRACTOR shall possess a Class "A" license at the time this contract is bid or a combination of classes required by the categories and type of work included in this contract.

This CONTRACT is subject to State contract non-discrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND PROPOSAL forms for bidding this PROJECT will be available after March 20th, 2019;

• For download from City Website www.cityofarcata.org under "Bid on a Project".

• For purchase at City Manager's Office, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, CA 95521. A printing charge of \$40.00 shall not be refundable, plus a shipping and handling fee of \$35.00 for mailing of PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS. Checks payable to the City of Arcata and shall be mailed or delivered in person to the Property and Special Projects Manager.

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the Director of California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages. Bidders should contact the Department of Industrial Relations at (415) 703-4281 for General Prevailing Wage Rates on specific job classifications. Future effective wage rates, which have been predetermined, are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations. Bidders are advised that if they intend to use a craft or classification not on file in the general wage determinations, they may be required to pay the wage rate of that craft of classification most closely related to it as shown in the general determinations.

The above PROJECT is subject to uniform construction cost accounting procedures as set forth in the California Public Contracts Code, Section 22000 et seq., the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act.

All bidders shall be licensed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Rural Development City of Trinidad: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Water & Environmental Program, USDA

ACTION: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact.

SUMMARY: The RUS has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) with respect to a request for possible financing assistance to City of Trinidad for the construction of the City of Trinidad ASBS Stormwater Improvement Project in Humboldt County, California.

FURTHER INFORMATION: To obtain copies of the EA and FONSI, or for further information, contact: Quinn Donovan, Area Specialist, Rural Utilities Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 777 Sonoma Avenue, E Street Annex, Santa Rosa, CA 95404, (707)-536-0248, Quinn.Donovan@ca.usda.gov. The EA and FONSI are also available for public review at Trinidad City Hall, 409 Trinity Street, Trinidad, CA 95570 and on the City of Trinidad website www.trinidad.ca.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed project consists of decommissioning the existing stormwater outfall and replacing it with a system of localized stormwater treatment chambers and infiltration basins to reduce polluted stormwater discharge into the Trinidad Head Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS). Alternatives considered by USDA and City of Trinidad include: No action; Keep Existing Outfall with Treatment System. The alternatives are discussed in the City of Trinidad ASBS Stormwater Improvement Project EA. The USDA has reviewed and approved the EA for the proposed project.

The availability of the EA for public review was announced via notice in the following weekly newspaper: Mad River Union on November 7 and 14, 2018. A 14-day comment period was announced in the newspaper notice. The EA was also available for public review at the USDA Rural Development office and the City of Trinidad offices and website. One comment was received during the 14-day comment period. The comment included a request that the existing storm water pipe and inlet along Galindo Street be abandoned. The comment also requested that the proposed storm water pipe along Van Wycke Street not be installed and that the storm water be routed along Edwards Street due to potential impacts to historic properties.

Based on its EA, commitments made by City of Trinidad, and public comments received, RUS has concluded that the project would have no significant impact (or no impacts) to water quality, wetlands, floodplains, land use, aesthetics, transportation, or human health and safety. The proposed project will utilize the

Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (NPA) among the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Programs, National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers and The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for Sequencing Section 106 (NPA) to achieve compliance with the Nation Historic Preservation Act and formally determine effects on historic properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The National Programmatic Agreement will be followed to fully comply with the National Historic Preservation Act. The project can proceed to obligation with the understanding that Section 106 will be completed prior to construction. Using the NPA does not complete the Section 106 process. In accordance with the National Programmatic Agreement (NPA) signed in July 2018 with the AHCP further cultural consultation/studies will be completed prior to the start of construction. The Agency has also concluded that the proposed project is not likely to affect federally listed threatened and endangered species or designated critical habitat thereof. The proposed project would not disproportionately affect minority and/or low-income populations.

No other potential significant impacts resulting from the proposed project have been identified. Therefore, USDA has determined that this FONSI fulfills its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR §§ 1500-1508), and USDA Rural Development's Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR Part 1970) for its action related to the project.

USDA is satisfied that the environmental impacts of the proposed project have been adequately addressed. USDA's federal action would not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment, and as such it will not prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for its action related to the proposed project. Dated: March 27, 2019 3/27

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF TRINIDAD CASTILLO RAMIREZ
CASE NO.: PR190042

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:
TRINIDAD CASTILLO RAMIREZ

Petition for Probate has been filed by: SANDRA ESPITIA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: SANDRA ESPITIA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: APRIL 18, 2019
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 6
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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Attorney for the petitioner: KELLY M. WALSH
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EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 442-3758
3/27, 4/3, 4/10

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ARCATA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Humboldt DNA, Inc. Use Permit at 55 Frank Martin Court, Arcata; File # 189-018-UP2.

The project is scheduled for a public hearing of the Planning Commission on April 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata.

Project: A Use Permit for a cannabis nursery in the City's Cannabis Innovation Zone – Area 2. The subject property is currently under construction with a new two story building and associated site improvements – parking, utilities, landscaping. The project involves the propagation of cannabis plants through tissue cultures for wholesale distribution of immature cannabis plants to licensed cultivators. **Location:** 55 Frank Martin Court

Assessor's Parcel Number: 507-461-049
Property Owner: Joseph Barclay
Applicant: Richard R. Crum

Date of application: October 4, 2018
File Number: 189-018-UP2

Zoning/General Plan: Industrial Limited

Coastal Zone: The project is not located in the Coastal Zone.

Environmental: Proposed exemption from environmental review per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemptions §15301, Existing Facilities.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or by phone: 707-825-2139. Contact person: Joe Mateer, Senior Planner.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is appealable. In compliance with §9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative, informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 business days following the date of the action by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to §1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)." **Published:** March 27, 2019 3/27



A Woman's Place is in Her Home returns to Playhouse

ARCATA PLAYHOUSE

CREAMERY DISTRICT – *A Woman's Place is in Her Home* is a locally generated production that explores women experiencing the largely unplanned, unpredictable realities of housing insecurity. The show is returning for two public performances on Thursday, March 28 and Friday, March 29, at 8 p.m. the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata.

As part of a pilot program for future touring, the ensemble will be performing for high school students on Thursday, March 28. Students will come to a shortened version of the show in the morning and then be involved in a series of workshops with ensemble members.

"As well as giving people a chance to see the show, we are also creating a series of workshops and a curriculum that will inspire high school students to use theatre and performance as a vehicle for social change and expression" said Director/Writer Jacqueline Dandeneau "On our last tour, we were able to connect with Mendocino High School and it inspired us to develop this format. We are currently booking a tour for 2019-20, connecting to contacts we have made along the way. We are excited to be able to work with our local high school students to develop a program for the State that will be used for the upcoming tour."

The Arcata Playhouse in association with Arcata House Partnership and Food For People began the project with hopes to bring the distinctive challenges of being a homeless woman to the broader community.

A Woman's Place is in Her Home fuses storytelling, media, dance and music, performed by professional artists, alongside community members and activists. Jacqueline Dandeneau directs the play featuring original compositions from Humboldt's own Lyndsey Battle and



SHARING STORIES Barbara Penny in *A Woman's Place is Her Home*, which returns to the Arcata Playhouse for two night.

PHOTO BY TAMMY RAE SCOTT

Dharla Curry.

Over 12 months, the creative team of Dandeneau, Ali Freedlund and Tammy Rae Scott, documented the hardship, beauty, resilience, and resourcefulness of women in various states of homelessness, and witnessed the obstacles they face every day. The script was developed with the ensemble to bring the research to life.

Many of this exceptional cast have experienced homelessness at some point in their lives. Together, throughout the production process, they shared life stories, prepared meals, broke down, held each other up and developed an extraordinary bond.

Tickets are \$10 general and \$8 students and seniors and are available at Wildberries Marketplace or online at arcataplayhouse.org or reserve at (707) 822-1575.

Take home Willow, a beautiful, gentle giant

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Pints for Non Profits last week! It was fun getting to meet some new faces and have a chance to talk to people a little about what we do in our Redwood Pals Rescue.

We found one couple that is willing to do transport for us, which is very needed when we have an opportunity to move some dogs to another facility.



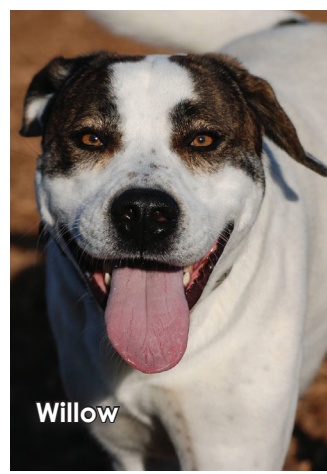
DOG TOWN
Mara Segal

Some other folks expressed interest in helping with our still-in-the-works plans for a new, bigger and extra fun play yard at the shelter. It was a very productive, and fun, evening!

One of our original purposes in forming a rescue was to help dogs at the shelter that are good dogs but are not meeting the shelter's requirements for adoption. This takes all kinds of forms – too shy, too excitable, not good with other dogs through the kennel doors, too focused on their toys – and we do what we can to work with these dogs and find them good homes. One of the dogs we are currently working with is Willow.

Willow is a big gentle Great Pyrenees mix, estimated to be a little under 2 years old. She was initially very shy and would barely leave her kennel for walks, preferring to lie down on the sidewalk until we turned around and headed back inside.

She now walks very nice-



Willow

ly on the leash. Willow even went to dog class recently and demonstrated an understanding of sit, down and heel. She does not seem to care about toys or balls but will happily run around in the play yard if one of us runs with her.

Willow does fine with other dogs with proper introductions. She isn't much of a player and so prefers the dogs that are also happy to go for walks with her instead of the excitable players. In a recent cat test, she noticed the cat but showed no aggression towards it. Perhaps she has lived with cats in the past? We do know that she has lived with other dogs before.

This big girl – about 80 pounds – has beautiful eyes and is always happy to see us when we come to take her out for a walk. She appears to be housetrained and seems like she would be the perfect dog to come home to at the end of a long work day.

Willow has been at the shelter for quite a while and

we would like to get her out, either by finding a foster home or an adopter for her. Please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call our voicemail at (707) 633-8842 (and be sure to leave a message).

We are still looking for a foster or adopter for our quiet older guy, Barclay, as well. We have recently figured out that his hearing isn't very good. That would certainly account for him being startled easily when people come at him from behind.

He is so well house-trained that he keeps his little kennel clean even on the days when shelter staff leave at 4 p.m. and aren't



Barclay

back until 8 the next morning! Mostly he sticks to his bed or plays with his toys until one of his friends comes to walk him. He is a very easy walker and is happy for a short or a long walk. He loves some dogs and doesn't like others, but is never aggressive out on a walk. He is not a good candidate for a home with cats (even though they could probably outrun him!). Please contact us at the number above for more information.

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